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Section 200

DIRECTIONS FROM CHIEF HEALTH OFFICER IN ACCORDANCE WITH EMERGENCY POWERS ARISING FROM DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY

Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria) (No. 14)

I, Adjunct Clinical Professor Brett Sutton, Chief Health Officer, consider it reasonably necessary to eliminate or reduce the risk to public health – and reasonably necessary to protect public health – to give the following directions pursuant to section 200(1)(b) and (d) of the **Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 (Vic.) (PHW Act)**:

1 Preamble

- (1) The purpose of these directions is to restrict the operation of certain businesses and undertakings in the State of Victoria to address the serious public health risk posed to Victoria by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2).
- (2) These directions must be read together with the **Directions currently in force**.
- (3) These directions replace the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria) (No 13)**.

2 Citation

These directions may be referred to as the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria) (No. 14)**.

3 Revocation

The **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria) (No. 13)** are revoked at 11:59:00 pm on 30 April 2021.

4 Restricted activity period

For the purposes of these directions, the **restricted activity period** is the period beginning at 11:59:00 pm on 30 April 2021 and ending at 11:59:00 pm on 7 May 2021.

5 Physical recreational facilities

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a **physical recreational facility** in the State of Victoria may only operate that facility during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

*Note: nothing in these directions is intended to prevent or otherwise affect the operation or use of a facility for emergency refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**.*

- (2) A **physical recreational facility** means any of the following, whether operated on a for profit or not-for-profit basis:

- (a) a facility used predominantly for indoor sport or physical recreation;

Examples: gymnasium, health club, fitness centre, yoga studio, pilates studio, barre studio, dance studio, spin facility, indoor basketball court, indoor climbing facility, squash court, table tennis centre.

- (b) a facility used predominantly for outdoor sport or physical recreation;

Examples: golf club, tennis club, basketball centre, go kart track, rifle range, equestrian centre, mini golf, paint ball, lawn bowling, water skiing.

- (c) a **personal training facility**;

- (d) a **cardio or strength training facility**;

Examples: a cardio or strength facility featuring cardio equipment (such as exercise bikes, elliptical trainers, steppers and rowing machines), free weights, kettlebells and weight and/or strength training equipment and machines. A cardio or strength training facility may be a stand-alone facility or part of another facility (such as a gymnasium, health club, fitness centre or personal training facility).

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- (e) a **play centre**;
 - (f) a skatepark;
 - (g) a trampolining centre,
- but does not include:
- (h) a skatepark or a trampolining centre in an **outdoor space**;
 - (i) outdoor communal exercise equipment;
 - (j) a swimming pool, **hydrotherapy pool**, spa, sauna, steam room or **spring facility**;
 - (k) a **creative arts facility**.

Note: a skatepark or trampolining centre in an outdoor space and outdoor communal exercise equipment can be used.

Physical recreation and community sport

- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(a) (indoor sport or physical recreational facility), (2)(b) (outdoor sport or physical recreation facility), (2)(c) (personal training facility) or (2)(d) (cardio or strength training facility) in the State of Victoria may operate that facility for the purpose of physical recreation or community sport by **members of the public** if:

- (a) subject to subclause (e), the number of persons permitted in each **indoor space** or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the lesser of:
 - (i) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (ii) 1000; and

Note: the reference to the number of persons in subclause (a) includes spectators.

- (b) the number of members of the public permitted in any **seated space** at any one time is limited to no more than (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) 1000; and:

Note: a person who owns, controls or operates a facility for any activity or event proposed to exceed the limits above should have regard to the Public Event Framework and exemption process for 'eligible public events' described in clause 18.

- (c) any shared equipment is **cleaned** between users; and
- (d) where the maximum capacity for the facility in accordance with these directions is 500 persons or more, a **COVIDSafe Plan** for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
- (e) where the facility is an indoor cardio or strength training facility or includes a **staffed** indoor cardio or strength training facility:
 - (i) the number of persons permitted in each indoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit):
 - (A) when the cardio or strength training facility is staffed, the number calculated by dividing the total area of all indoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (B) when the cardio or strength training facility is not staffed, the number calculated by dividing the total area of all indoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 4; and

- (ii) when the cardio or strength training facility is staffed, the facility has a **COVID Marshal** onsite during the operating hours of the cardio or strength training facility; and

Note: the COVID Marshal may be a person conducting or leading a group, class or session in the cardio or strength training facility.

- (iii) when the cardio or strength training facility is not staffed, the person makes **disinfectant** and other cleaning products available to persons at the facility.

Play centre, indoor skatepark or indoor trampolining centre

- (4) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(e) (play centre), (2)(f) (skatepark) or (2)(g) (trampolining centre) in an indoor space in the State of Victoria may operate that facility if:
 - (a) the number of persons permitted in each indoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of indoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (b) where the maximum capacity for the facility in accordance with these directions is 500 persons or more, a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site.

6 Community facilities

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a **community facility** in the State of Victoria may only operate that facility during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

*Note: nothing in these directions is intended to prevent or otherwise affect the operation or use of a facility for emergency refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**.*

- (2) A **community facility** means any of the following, whether operated on a for profit or not-for-profit basis:
 - (a) a community centre or community hall;
 - (b) a public library (including a toy library, but not the **State Library**);
 - (c) a youth centre;
 - (d) a **playground**;
 - (e) a skatepark or trampolining centre in an outdoor space;
 - (f) outdoor communal exercise equipment;but does not include:
 - (g) a creative arts facility;
 - (h) a physical recreational facility;
 - (i) a swimming pool facility, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring.

- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates a community facility in the State of Victoria may operate that facility for members of the public if:
 - (a) any wedding or funeral is compliant with the requirements of the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**; and
 - (b) the number of persons permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2.

Note: a person who owns, controls or operates a facility for any activity or event proposed to exceed the limits above should have regard to the Public Event Framework and exemption process for 'eligible public events' described in clause 18.

- (4) Despite subclause (3), a person who operates a community facility for the purpose of:
- (a) hosting an essential public support service (whether that service is provided on a voluntary basis or otherwise); or

Examples: a food bank or a service for homeless persons.

- (b) providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single **school** at any
 - (b) one time for educational or school gathering purposes,

is not required to comply with the limit in subclause (3)(b).

Note: a facility is not operated for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school for educational or school gathering purposes if people other than students and staff are permitted to attend. If other guests attend, then the limit in subclause (3)(b) applies.

7 Entertainment facilities

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates an **entertainment facility** in the State of Victoria may only operate that facility during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

*Note: nothing in these directions is intended to prevent or otherwise affect the operation or use of a facility for emergency refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**.*

- (2) An **entertainment facility** means any of the following, whether operated on a for profit or not-for-profit basis:

- (a) a theatre;
- (b) a cinema;
- (c) a music hall, concert hall or auditorium;
- (d) a gallery or a museum;
- (e) the State Library;
- (f) an arena or stadium;
- (g) an arcade;
- (h) an amusement park;
- (i) a **casino**, except to the extent of:
 - (i) providing food and drink in accordance with clause 11; or
 - (ii) providing accommodation in accordance with clause 12;
- (j) a **retail betting venue**;
- (k) a **gaming machine area**;
- (l) a **brothel, sex on premises venue** or **sexually explicit entertainment venue**;
- (m) a **bingo centre**;
- (n) an escape room;
- (o) an **animal facility**;
- (p) a **karaoke facility**;
- (q) a **nightclub**;
- (r) a convention centre.

Seated entertainment facility

- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(a) (theatre), (2)(b) (cinema) except for a drive-in cinema, (2)(c) (music hall, concert hall or auditorium) or (2)(f) (arena or stadium) in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:

- (a) for each seated space in the facility:
 - (i) all activities are ticketed; and
 - (ii) the number of members of the public permitted in the seated space at

any one time is limited to no more than (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) 1000; and

Note: a person who owns, controls or operates a facility for any activity or event proposed to exceed the limits above should have regard to the Public Event Framework and exemption process for 'eligible public events' described in clause 18.

- (b) the number of members of the public permitted in each **non-seated space** at the facility at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the non-seated space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (c) entry to, and egress from, a seated space or a non-seated space is monitored and staggered, where possible, to ensure compliance with the limits that apply in subclauses (a)(ii) and (b); and
 - (d) where the maximum capacity for the facility under these directions is 500 persons or more, a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
 - (e) the person uses all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.
- (4) Despite subclause (3), a person who operates a facility described in subclause (3) for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school at any one time for educational or school gathering purposes is not required to comply with the requirements in subclauses (3)(a) to (c).

Note: a facility is not operated for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school for educational or school gathering purposes if people other than students and staff are permitted to attend. If other guests attend, then the limits in subclauses (3)(a) to (d) apply.

Non-seated indoor entertainment facility

- (5) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(d) (gallery or a museum), (2)(e) (State Library), (2)(o) (animal facility) or (2)(r) (convention centre) in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:
- (a) the number of members of the public permitted at any one time in the facility is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) 75 per cent of the maximum capacity for the facility stated in the **occupancy permit** for the facility; and
 - (b) the number of members of the public permitted in each **non-seated indoor space** at any one time is limited to the lesser of (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit):
 - (i) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the non-seated indoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (ii) 1000; and
 - (c) the number of members of the public permitted in each **non-seated outdoor space** at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the non-seated outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (d) the number of members of the public permitted in each seated space at any one time is limited to no more than (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) 1000; and

Note: a person who owns, controls or operates a facility for any activity or event proposed to exceed the limits above should have regard to the Public Event Framework and exemption process for 'eligible public events' described in clause 18.

- (e) where the maximum capacity for the facility under these directions is 500 persons or more, a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
 - (f) the person uses all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.
- (6) Despite subclause (5), a person who operates a facility described in subclause (5) for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school at any one time for educational or school gathering purposes is not required to comply with the requirements in subclauses (5)(a) to (d).

Note: a facility is not operated for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school for educational or school gathering purposes if people other than students and staff are permitted to attend. If other guests attend, then the limits in subclauses (5)(a) to (d) apply.

Non-seated outdoor entertainment facility

- (7) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(d) (gallery or a museum) or (2)(o) (animal facility) in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:
- (a) the number of members of the public permitted in each non-seated outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the non-seated outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (b) the number of members of the public permitted in each non-seated indoor space at any one time is limited to the lesser of (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit):
 - (i) the applicable density cap set out in subclause (7)(a) above; and
 - (ii) 1000; and
 - (c) the number of members of the public permitted in each seated space at any one time is limited to no more than (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) 1000; and

Note: a person who owns, controls or operates a facility for any activity or event proposed to exceed the limits above should have regard to the Public Event Framework and exemption process for 'eligible public events' described in clause 18.

- (d) where the maximum capacity for the facility under these directions is 500 persons or more, a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
 - (e) the person uses all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.
- (8) Despite subclause (7), a person who operates a facility described in subclause (7) for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school at any one time for educational or school gathering purposes is not required to comply with the requirements in subclauses (7)(a), (b) and (c).

Note: a facility is not operated for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school for educational or school gathering purposes if people other than students and staff are permitted to attend. If other guests attend, then the limits in subclauses (7)(a), (b) and (c) apply.

Drive-in cinema

- (9) A person who owns, controls or operates a drive-in cinema in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:
- (a) the cinema is in an outdoor space accessed by **vehicles**; and
 - (b) the total number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space

(other than the indoor space of a vehicle) or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and

*Note: members of the public are permitted to leave a vehicle to access toilet facilities or a **food and drink facility**.*

- (c) where the maximum capacity for the facility in accordance with these directions is 500 persons or more, a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
- (d) the person uses all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.

Amusement park

(10) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(h) (amusement park) in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:

- (a) the number of members of the public permitted in the facility at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) 75 per cent of the maximum capacity for the facility stated in the occupancy permit for the facility; and

Note: a person who owns, controls or operates a facility for any activity or event proposed to exceed the limit above should have regard to the Public Event Framework and exemption process for 'eligible public events' described in clause 18.

- (b) the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
- (c) where the maximum capacity for the facility in accordance with these directions is 500 persons or more, a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
- (d) any food and drink facility operates in accordance with clause 11; and
- (e) all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility are made.

Casino

(11) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(i) (casino) in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:

- (a) the number of members of the public permitted in the facility at any one time is limited to 75 per cent of the maximum capacity for the facility stated in the occupancy permit; and
- (b) the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space at any one time is limited to the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
- (c) the space available is suitable to ensure members of the public are reasonably capable of maintaining a distance of 1.5 metres from any other; and

- (d) the person:
 - (i) requires **workers** to complete an online COVID-19 training package arranged by the person that addresses personal hygiene, physical distancing and symptom awareness; and
 - (ii) retains security camera footage for at least 14 days after it is recorded; and
- (e) members-only areas permit access only by swipe card; and
- (f) a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
- (g) the facility has a COVID Marshal onsite during the operating hours of the facility.

Retail betting venue

- (12) A person who owns, controls or operates a retail betting venue in the State of Victoria may operate the venue if the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2.

Gaming machine area

- (13) A person who owns, controls or operates a gaming machine area in the State of Victoria in a facility other than a facility in subclause (2)(i) (casino) may operate the facility if:

- (a) the total number of members of the public permitted in the gaming machine area at any one time is limited to the number calculated by dividing the total area of the gaming machine area accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and

Note: members of the public in a gaming machine area located within a food and drink facility are included within the limits on the numbers of members of the public in the food and drink facility under clause 11.

- (b) the space available is suitable to ensure members of the public are reasonably capable of maintaining a distance of 1.5 metres from each other; and
- (c) the facility has a COVID Marshal onsite during the operating hours of the gaming machine area.

Brothel, sex on premises venue or sexually explicit entertainment venue

- (14) A person who owns, operates or controls a brothel or sex on premises venue may operate that facility if:

- (a) the total number of members of the public permitted in the facility at any one time is limited to the number calculated by dividing the total area of all indoor space and outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and

Note 1: the person must also comply with the conditions of any licence held for the purposes of operating a brothel or sex on premises venue, liquor licence or planning permit.

Note 2: all members of the public in any public or private area of a brothel or sex on premises venue are included in this limit.

- (b) all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility are made.
- (15) A person who owns, operates or controls a sexually explicit entertainment venue may operate that facility if:
- (a) the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space at any one

time is limited to the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and

- (b) all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility are made.

Nightclubs and karaoke facilities

- (16) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(p) (karaoke facility) or subclause (2)(q) (nightclub) in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:
 - (a) the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (b) the person uses all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.

Arcade, escape room, bingo centre

- (17) A person who owns, controls or operates a facility in subclause (2)(g) (arcade), (2)(m) (bingo centre) or (2)(n) (escape room) in the State of Victoria may operate the facility if:
 - (a) the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (b) where the maximum capacity for the facility in accordance with these directions is 500 persons or more, a COVIDSafe Plan for the facility is published on the facility's Internet site; and
 - (c) the person uses all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.

8 Places of worship

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a **place of worship** in the State of Victoria may only operate that place of worship during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

*Note: nothing in these directions is intended to prevent or otherwise affect the operation or use of a facility for emergency refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**.*

- (2) A person who owns, controls or operates a place of worship in the State of Victoria may operate the place of worship if:
 - (a) the number of persons permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (b) where the place of worship operates for the purpose of conducting a religious gathering or ceremony, the religious gathering or ceremony is conducted either at the place of worship or at an outdoor space proximate to the place of worship; and

- (c) no food, drink, crockery, utensils, vessels or other equipment is permitted to be shared by participants.
- (3) Despite subclause (2), a person who operates a place of worship for the purpose of hosting an essential public support service (whether that service is provided on a voluntary basis or otherwise) is not required to comply with the limits in subclause (2)(a).

Examples: a food bank or a service for homeless persons.

9 Restricted retail facilities

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a **restricted retail facility** in the State of Victoria may only operate that facility during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.
- (2) A **restricted retail facility** means the following:
 - (a) a **beauty and personal care facility**; and
 - (b) a **hairdressing facility**.
- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates a restricted retail facility in the State of Victoria may operate that facility if the number of persons permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2.

10 Pubs, bars, clubs, nightclubs and hotels

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a **licensed premises** in the State of Victoria may only operate that **premises** during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

*Note: nothing in these directions is intended to prevent or otherwise affect the operation or use of a facility for emergency refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**.*

- (2) A **licensed premises** means a business characterised as a pub, bar, club, nightclub or hotel that supplies alcohol under a **general licence**, an **on-premises licence**, a **late night licence**, a **producer's licence** or a **club licence**.
- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates a licensed premises in the State of Victoria may operate that premises for the purposes of:
 - (a) operating a **bottleshop**; or
 - (b) operating a retail betting venue in accordance with clause 7(12); or
 - (c) operating a gaming machine area in accordance with clause 7(13); or
 - (d) operating a sexually explicit entertainment venue in accordance with clause 7(14);
 - (e) operating a karaoke or nightclub facility in accordance with clause 7(16); or
 - (f) providing food or drink in accordance with clause 11; or
 - (g) providing accommodation in accordance with clause 12.

11 Food and drink facilities

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a food and drink facility in the State of Victoria may only operate that facility during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

*Note: nothing in these directions is intended to prevent or otherwise affect the operation or use of a facility for emergency refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**.*

- (2) A **food and drink facility** means any of the following, whether operated on a for profit or not-for-profit basis:
- (a) a cafe;
 - (b) a restaurant;
 - (c) a fast-food store;
 - (d) a cafeteria;
 - (e) a canteen;
 - (f) a winery;
 - (g) a **food court**.

Note: a food and drink facility includes a food and drink facility at a stadium or arena.

- (3) For the purposes of this clause:
- (a) **communal or shared space** means toilets, separate hallways, separate foyers or playgrounds at the facility;
 - (b) **outdoor** means:
 - (i) a space with no **roof**; or
 - (ii) an open-air space designated for the consumption of food and/or beverages, which may have a roof so long as at least 2 sides of the space do not have **walls**;
- Examples: outdoor spaces may include a balcony, a veranda, a courtyard, a rooftop, a marquee, a street or footpath, or any similar outdoor space.*
- (c) **roof** means any structure or device (whether temporary, fixed or movable) that prevents or significantly impedes upward airflow, including a ceiling or awning;
 - (d) **wall** means any structure (whether fixed or movable) that prevents or significantly impedes lateral airflow, notwithstanding if it has a window or door.

Food and drink facility is a food court

- (4) A person who owns, controls or operates a food court may operate that food court for the purpose of permitting members of the public to consume food or drinks if the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at a food court at any one time is limited to the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2.

Food and drink facility is not a food court

- (5) A person who owns, operates or controls a food and drink facility that is not located inside a food court may operate that facility if:
- (a) where the total area of all indoor spaces and outdoor spaces accessible to members of the public (but excluding all communal or shared space) at the facility is less than 50 square metres, the number of members of the public permitted in the facility at any one time is limited to (with any infant under one year of age not counting in this limit) 25; and
 - (b) where the total area of all indoor spaces and outdoor spaces accessible to members of the public (but excluding all communal or shared space) at the facility is 50 square metres or more, the number of members of the public permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with any infant under one year of age not counting in this limit), the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space

accessible to members of the public (but excluding all communal or shared space) (measured in square metres) by 2.

Note 1: the person must also comply with the conditions of any liquor licence or planning permit.

Note 2: members of the public in a retail betting venue or gaming machine area in an indoor space of the food and drink facility are included in this limit.

- (6) Despite subclause (5), a person who operates a food and drink facility that is not located inside a food court for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school at any one time for educational or school gathering purposes is not required to comply with the requirements in subclause (5).

Note: a facility is not operated for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school for educational or school gathering purposes if people other than students and staff are permitted to attend. If other guests attend, then the limits in subclause (5) apply.

12 Accommodation facilities

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates an **accommodation facility** in the State of Victoria may only operate that facility during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.
- (2) For the purposes of this clause:
- (a) **accommodation facility** includes, but is not limited to, any of the following, whether operated on a for profit or not-for-profit basis:
- (i) a camping ground;
 - (ii) a caravan park;
 - (iii) a hotel;
 - (iv) a hostel;
 - (v) a Bed and Breakfast;
 - (vi) a private holiday rental facility, including Airbnbs;
 - (vii) a motel;
 - (viii) a serviced apartment; and
- (b) **communal or shared accommodation space** includes but is not limited to communal or shared toilets, bathrooms, laundries, kitchens and other cooking areas, hallways, foyers, decks, balconies, dining areas, recreation areas and storage areas.

Permitted operations – accommodation

- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates an accommodation facility in the State of Victoria may operate that facility if:
- (a) surfaces accessible in the accommodation facility exclusively to a particular group, including a hotel room or cabin, are cleaned between groups; and
 - (b) any visit by members of the public to a person or group staying at an accommodation facility must not exceed more than 100 persons for a social gathering each day, excluding any:
 - (i) persons who ordinarily reside with the person who made the booking; and
 - (ii) any other person with whom the people referred to in subclause (3)(b) (i) are in an intimate personal relationship; and
 - (iii) any infant under one year of age; and

Example: if a person books accommodation for themselves, their intimate partner, their four housemates, and another family of three people, only the three other guests are considered visitors and they can have a private gathering at the accommodation with 97 additional guests.
 - (c) the number of persons permitted in each indoor or outdoor communal or shared accommodation space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year

of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor or outdoor communal or shared accommodation space (measured in square metres) by 2.

Accommodation facilities – other

- (4) Despite subclause (3), a person who owns, controls or operates an accommodation facility in the State of Victoria is not required to comply with the requirements in subclause (3) if they operate that facility:
 - (a) for the purposes of providing emergency accommodation, refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**; or
 - (b) as an exclusive facility for a single school at any one time for educational purposes.
- (5) Despite subclause (3)(b), a person who owns, controls or operates an accommodation facility in the State of Victoria is not required to comply with the requirements in subclause (3)(b) if they operate that facility as an exclusive facility for multiple schools at any one time for educational purposes.

13 Swimming pools, hydrotherapy pools, spas, saunas, steam rooms, and springs

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring in the State of Victoria may only operate the swimming pool facility, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

Private or personal use

- (2) A person who owns, controls or operates a swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring facility in the State of Victoria may operate the facility for private or personal use.

Swimming pools, hydrotherapy pools, spas, saunas, steam rooms and springs

- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates a swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring facility in the State of Victoria may operate the facility to permit members of the public to use the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring facilities if:
 - (a) the number of persons permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space (including any water or non-water part) at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (b) the person uses all reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.
- (4) Despite subclause (3), a person who operates a swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring facility in the State of Victoria is not required to comply with the limits in subclause (3)(a) if the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, spa, sauna, steam room or spring is only available for:
 - (a) members of the public participating in community sport; or
Note: participation in a community sport includes training for an organised competition.
 - (b) the exclusive use of a single school at any one time for educational purposes.
Note: a facility is not operated for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school for educational purposes if people other than students and staff are permitted to attend. If other guests attend, then the limits in subclause (3)(a) apply.

- (5) Despite subclause (3), a person who operates a swimming pool facility in the State of Victoria is not required to comply with the limits in subclause (3)(a) for any part of a swimming pool in the facility while such part is exclusively being used for swimming lessons or water safety instruction.

Example: an operator of an indoor swimming pool facility uses the formula in subclause (3) to calculate that they may ordinarily operate with 40 people in a swimming pool in the facility. If the operator divides that swimming pool in half using a physical marker, rope or barrier; creating a separate section of the swimming pool to be used exclusively by a swimming lesson group, there would be no limit on the number of people that could participate in that lesson. The operator could also allow a maximum of 20 people in the other half of that swimming pool.

14 Real estate inspections and auctions

- (1) An **estate agent** in the State of Victoria may only organise inspections and auctions for the sale or rental of **real estate** in the State of Victoria during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.
- (2) An estate agent may organise inspections and auctions for the sale or rental of real estate in the State of Victoria if the number of persons permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2.

15 Tourism services

- (1) A **tourism operator** in the State of Victoria may only organise and operate **tourism services** in the State of Victoria during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

Tourism services by vehicle

- (2) A tourism operator who organises and operates tourism services in the State of Victoria may operate or permit a person to operate a vehicle for the purpose of tourism services to members of the public, if the tourism operator and each person wears a **face covering** for the duration of the tourism services unless the tourism operator or member of the public is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with clause 5(7) and (8) of the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**.

Other tourism services

- (3) A tourism operator who organises and operates tourism services in the State of Victoria may operate and provide licensed tourism services to members of the public if:
- (a) the number of persons permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2; and
 - (b) the tourism services are conducted in accordance with:
 - (i) these directions as they apply to an indoor space or outdoor space at the facility where the tourism services are being provided; and
 - (ii) otherwise, the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**.

16 Creative arts facilities

- (1) A person who owns, controls or operates a creative arts facility in the State of Victoria may only operate that facility during the restricted activity period in accordance with these directions.

- (2) A **creative arts facility** means any of the following, whether operated on a for profit or not-for-profit basis:
- (a) an art studio;
 - (b) a ceramics studio;
 - (c) a music room or studio;
 - (d) a rehearsal room or studio;
- but does not include:
- (e) a physical recreation facility;
 - (f) a community facility;
 - (g) a place of worship.
- (3) A person who owns, controls or operates a creative arts facility in the State of Victoria may operate that facility for use by members of public if the number of persons permitted in each indoor space or outdoor space at any one time is limited to (with infants under one year of age not counting towards this limit) the number calculated by dividing the total area of the indoor space or outdoor space accessible to members of the public (measured in square metres) by 2.
- (4) Despite subclause (3), a person who operates a creative arts facility for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school at any one time for educational or school gathering purposes is not required to comply with the requirements in subclause (3).

Note: a creative arts facility is not operated for the purpose of providing an exclusive venue for the exclusive use of a single school for educational or school gathering purposes if people other than students and staff are permitted to attend. If other guests attend, then the limits in subclause (3) apply.

17 Electronic record-keeping requirements

- (1) A person to whom clauses 5 to 16 applies and who is also required to comply with clause 6(6) of the **Workplace Directions** (the **records requirement**) must:
- (a) comply with the records requirement by requiring all persons who attend the venue to record their visit to the venue using a **prescribed electronic record-keeping method** by means of a mobile phone or other device at the time the person enters the premises; and
 - (b) make reasonable efforts to ensure that a person required to record their visit to the venue pursuant to subclause (a) can do so using a prescribed electronic recording-keeping method even where they do not have access to a personal mobile phone or other device that enables them to do so.

Note: compliance with subclause (1)(b) could include making a terminal (e.g. a tablet or other device) available for persons to register their contact details via a prescribed electronic recording-keeping method and staff available to provide assistance to persons to do so.

- (2) Where:
- (a) it is not reasonably practicable for a person to record their visit to a venue using a prescribed electronic recording-keeping method, or
 - (b) there is an **access issue** that prevents the prescribed electronic record-keeping method from operating;

then a person to whom subclause (1) applies must use an alternative record-keeping method to comply with the records requirement.

Example 1: worshippers wishing to attend a synagogue on the Sabbath who are prohibited from using the prescribed electronic record-keeping method during the Sabbath could pre-register their details with the synagogue, with the details recorded and stored by the synagogue electronically.

Example 2: where a venue has no internet coverage, such as in a remote location, manual records could be kept and stored electronically by the venue.

- (3) Despite subclause (1), a person to whom clause 12 (accommodation facilities) applies is only required to comply with subclause (1) in respect of a person who:
- (a) is a **visitor** to the accommodation facilities; and
 - (b) spends more than 15 minutes in a communal or shared accommodation space.

18 Public Events

- (1) For the purpose of this clause:
- (a) **eligible public event** means an organised public gathering for a common purpose on a for profit or not-for-profit basis which is:
 - (i) an event (or a series of events):
 - (a) conducted on a one-off or periodic basis; and
 - (b) open to **members of the public**; and
 - (c) which may be subject to specific licences, approvals or permits; and

Note: the person must continue to apply for and comply with all required licences, approvals and permits.
 - (d) publicly announced or advertised; and
 - (e) which may be in a facility, venue or space where such an event (or a series of events) forms part of the routine operations, use, activities or services of the facility, venue or space; or
 - (ii) an event (or series of events) deemed by the Victorian Government to be a State-critical public event (or a series of events),

Examples: an exhibition, sport event, festival, fair, parade, performance or trade show.

but does not mean:

 - (iii) an ad hoc public gathering in a public place;
 - (iv) an ad hoc or routine public gathering in a facility, venue or space which forms part of the ad hoc or routine operations, use, activities or services of the facility, venue or space;

Note: most public gatherings in a facility, venue or space (including any indoor space or outdoor space) are expected to remain subject to the requirements in these directions, including clause 11 (food and drink facilities).
 - (v) a private gathering;
 - (vi) a wedding, funeral or end of life activity;
 - (vii) a routine religious gathering or ceremony,

to which these directions and the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)** otherwise continue to apply; and
 - (b) **exempt public event** means an eligible public event which, subject to the process described in the **Public Event Framework**, the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer has exempted from a requirement in the Directions currently in force in accordance with subclause (3); and
 - (c) **Public Event Framework** means the Public Event Framework available at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/public-events as amended from time to time by the Victorian Government with the approval of the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer.
- (2) A person who arranges to meet, or organises or intentionally attends a public gathering for a common purpose in a public place is not required to comply with the requirements of the Directions currently in force in respect of such a public gathering:
- (a) if the public gathering is an **exempt public event**; and

- (b) to the extent of an exemption granted under subclause (3) (including any conditions on an exemption).
- (3) The Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer may exempt an **eligible public event** (or class of eligible public events) from any requirement of the Directions currently in force if satisfied that the exemption is appropriate, having regard to:
 - (a) the need to protect public health; and
 - (b) the principles in sections 5 to 10 of the PHW Act, as appropriate.
- (4) An exemption under subclause (3):
 - (a) must be given in writing; and
 - (b) must be published at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/public-events as amended from time to time by the Victorian Government with the approval of the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer; and
 - (c) must specify each requirement in the Directions currently in force to which, subject to subclause (d), an exemption is granted; and
 - (d) may impose conditions on an exemption.
- (5) An exemption under subclause (3) does not prevent:
 - (a) the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer exercising any power the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer is authorised to exercise under the PHW Act; or
 - (b) an authorised officer from exercising any power the authorised officer is authorised to exercise under the PHW Act, including ensuring compliance with:
 - (i) the extent of an exemption granted under subclause (3) (including any conditions on an exemption); or
 - (ii) the requirements of all other Directions currently in force.

19 Emergency use and operations

Nothing in these directions is intended to prevent or otherwise affect the operation of a facility in the State of Victoria where such use or operation is for emergency refuge, shelter or relief purposes in accordance with the emergency management arrangements under the **Emergency Management Act 2013**.

20 Relationship with other directions

If there is any inconsistency between these directions and a direction or other requirement contained in a **Direction and Detention Notice**, these directions are inoperative to the extent of the inconsistency.

21 Other definitions

For the purposes of these directions:

- (1) **access issue** means an absence of mobile phone or internet coverage or other temporary or non-temporary technical issue;
- (2) **accommodation facility** has the meaning in clause 12(2);
- (3) **animal facility** means the following:
 - (a) a **zoological park**;
 - (b) a wildlife centre;
 - (c) a petting zoo;
 - (d) an aquarium;
 - (e) an animal farm that is not being operated for the purpose of producing food;

- (4) **beauty and personal care facility** means the following:
 - (a) a beauty therapy salon, waxing salon or nail salon;
 - (b) a wellness spa;
 - (c) a massage parlour;
 - (d) a tattoo, body art or piercing studio;
- (5) **bingo centre** means a facility that:
 - (a) is operated by a bingo centre operator or community or charitable organisation under Chapter 8 of the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003**, that offers bingo or any similar game; or
 - (b) conducts bingo which is open to **members of the public**;
- (6) **bottleshop** means an area that is physically attached to a **licensed premises** where packaged alcohol is sold to be consumed off the **premises**;
- (7) **brothel** has the same meaning as in the **Sex Work Act 1994**;
- (8) **cardio or strength training facility** means a facility used predominantly for cardio, weight or strength training, including any cardio or strength training facility located wholly or partly within any other facility (including a **physical recreational facility**);
- (9) **casino** has the same meaning as in the **Casino Control Act 1991**;
- (10) **cleaned** has the same meaning as in the **Workplace Directions**;
- (11) **club licence** has the same meaning as in the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**;
- (12) **communal or shared space** has the meaning in clause 11(3);
- (13) **communal or shared accommodation space** has the meaning in clause 12(2);
- (14) **community facility** has the meaning in clause 6(2);
- (15) **COVID Marshal** has the same meaning as in the **Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions**;
- (16) **COVIDSafe Plan** has the same meaning as in the **Workplace Directions**;
- (17) **creative arts facility** has the meaning in clause 16(2);
- (18) **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions** means the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions (No. 21)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (19) **Direction and Detention Notice** means a notice given to a person requiring the person to be detained for a specified period;
- (20) **Directions currently in force** has the same meaning as in the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**;
- (21) **disinfectant** means a disinfectant:
 - (a) the label of which states a claim by the manufacturer that the disinfectant has anti-viral properties; or
 - (b) made by a person according to instructions issued by the Department of Health;
- (22) **electronic record-keeping** means record-keeping by electronic means, including an electronic booking system or registration system using a QR code, for the purpose of compliance with the **records requirement**;
- (23) **entertainment facility** has the meaning in clause 7(2);
- (24) **estate agent** has the same meaning as in the **Estate Agents Act 1980**;
- (25) **face covering** has the same meaning as in the **Workplace Directions**;
- (26) **food and drink facility** has the meaning in clause 11(2);
- (27) **food court** has the same meaning as in the **Liquor Reform Control Act 1998**;
- (28) **gaming machine** has the same meaning as in the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003**;

- (29) **gaming machine area** has the same meaning as in the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003**;
- (30) **general licence** has the same meaning as in the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**;
- (31) **hairdressing** has the same meaning as in the **PHW Act**;
- (32) **hairdressing facility** means a business that is registered as a business of **hairdressing** under the **PHW Act**;
- (33) **hydrotherapy pool** means a pool designed to be used for hydrotherapy or rehabilitation purposes;
- (34) **indoor space** means an area, room or **premises** that is or are substantially enclosed by a **roof** and **walls** that are temporary (in a **physical recreational facility, food and drink facility** or **creative arts facility** only) or permanent structures rising either from floor to ceiling or are at least 2.1 metres high, regardless of whether the roof or walls or any part of them are open or closed;
- (35) **karaoke facility** means a facility used predominately for karaoke by **members of the public**;
- Example: a facility with private rooms for use by members of the public for karaoke is a karaoke facility. A bar with one open karaoke stage is not a karaoke facility.*
- (36) **keno licensee** has the same meaning as in the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003**;
- (37) **late night licence** has the same meaning as in the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**;
- (38) **licensed premises** has the meaning in clause 10(2);
- (39) **member of the public**, in relation to a facility or venue, means a person other than:
- (a) a person who is an employee of an operator of the facility or venue; or
 - (b) any other person who attends the facility or venue that is reasonably necessary for providing a service at the facility or venue;
- (40) **nightclub** means a facility:
- (a) to which a **late night licence** applies; and
 - (b) with a dancefloor; and
 - (c) which does not serve food prepared at the facility for consumption on the **premises**;
- (41) **non-seated indoor space** means an **indoor space**, where persons move through the facility and are not expected to remain seated and are unlikely to congregate;
- (42) **non-seated outdoor space** means an **outdoor space**, where persons move through the facility, are not expected to remain seated and are unlikely to congregate;
- Note: this can include settings such as outdoor animal facilities.*
- (43) **non-seated space** means a **non-seated indoor space** or a **non-seated outdoor space**;
- (44) **occupancy permit** means an occupancy permit issued in accordance with the **Building Act 1993**;
- (45) **on-premises licence** has the same meaning as in the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**;
- (46) **outdoor space** means a space that is not an **indoor space**;
- (47) **personal training facility** means a business the predominant activity of which is to provide personal training services;
- (48) **physical recreational facility** has the meaning in clause 5(2);
- (49) **place of worship** has the same meaning as in the **Heritage Act 2017**;
- (50) **play centre** means a **premises**, whether indoor or outdoor, that has play equipment to be used predominantly by children under the age of 12 years, but does not mean a **playground**;

- (51) **playground** means outdoor play equipment in a public park that is accessible to **members of the public**;
- (52) **premises** has the same meaning as in the **PHW Act**;
- (53) **prescribed electronic record-keeping method** means:
- (a) a digital system provided by the Service Victoria CEO and other parts of the Victorian Government for the purpose of complying with clause 17; or
 - (b) a digital system included in the list of approved API-linked providers updated by the Chief Health Officer from time to time and published at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/visitation-api-connected-third-parties;
- (54) **producer's licence** has the same meaning as in the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**;
- (55) **real estate** has the same meaning as in the **Estate Agents Act 1980**;
- (56) **records requirement** has the same meaning as in the **Workplace Directions**;
- (57) **restricted activity period** has the meaning in clause 4;
- (58) **retail betting venue** means a **premises**, or part of a premises, operated by the **wagering and betting licensee**, the **keno licensee** or an agent of the wagering and betting licensee or keno licensee;
- (59) **school** means a registered school as defined in the **Education and Training Reform Act 2006**;
- (60) **seated space** means a space with fixed seating;
- (61) **sex on premises venue** has the same meaning as in the **Sex Work Act 1994**;
- (62) **sexually explicit entertainment** has the same meaning as in the **Liquor Control Reform Act 1998**;
- (63) **sexually explicit entertainment venue** means a venue at which **sexually explicit entertainment** is provided;
- (64) **spring** means a hot, sweet, geothermal or mineral pool, spa or bath fed by groundwater from an aquifer;
- (65) **staffed**, in relation to a facility or venue, means when a **worker** of the facility or venue is present in their capacity as a worker during the operating hours of the facility;
- (66) **State Library** means the State Library Victoria;
- (67) **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)** means the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria) (No. 20)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (68) **tourism operator** means a person:
- (a) granted a tour operator licence under:
 - (i) section 21B of the **Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978**; or
 - (ii) section 57F of the **Forests Act 1958**; or
 - (iii) section 140I of the **Land Act 1958**; or
 - (iv) section 27D of the **National Parks Act 1975**; or
 - (v) section 21B of the **Wildlife Act 1975**;
 - (b) providing a tour of an **entertainment facility**;
- (69) **tourism services** means an activity, guided tour or recreation programme conducted or coordinated by an employee or officer of a **tourism operator** that is undertaken for profit for tourism purposes including, but not limited to, ballooning, a walking or bushwalking tour, a bicycle tour, abseiling, rock climbing, canoeing, kayaking, white water rafting, diving, snorkelling, horse trail riding, marine based tours and surfing, or a guided tour of a museum or gallery;
- (70) **vehicle** has the same meaning as in the **PHW Act**;

- (71) **visitor** means a person who is not registered to stay overnight at an **accommodation facility**;
- (72) **wagering and betting licensee** has the same meaning as in the **Gambling Regulation Act 2003**;
- (73) **worker** has the same meaning as in the **Workplace Directions**;
- (74) **Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions** means the **Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions (No. 22)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (75) **Workplace Directions** means the **Workplace Directions (No. 26)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (76) **zoological park** has the same meaning as in the **Zoological Parks and Gardens Act 1995**.

22 Penalties

Section 203 of the PHW Act provides:

Compliance with direction or other requirement

- (1) A person must not refuse or fail to comply with a direction given to the person, or a requirement made of the person, in the exercise of a power under an authorisation given under section 199.
Penalty: In the case of a natural person, 120 penalty units;
 In the case of a body corporate, 600 penalty units.
- (2) A person is not guilty of an offence against subsection (1) if the person had a reasonable excuse for refusing or failing to comply with the direction or requirement.

Note: section 209 of the PHW Act provides for infringement notices to be served on any person who has refused or failed to comply with a direction given to the person, or a requirement made of the person, in the exercise of a power under an authorisation given under section 199. The amount payable pursuant to the infringement notice varies depending on the nature of the failure or refusal and the age of the person.

Dated 30 April 2021

ADJUNCT CLINICAL PROFESSOR BRETT SUTTON
Chief Health Officer,
as authorised to exercise emergency powers
under sections 20A and 199(2)(a) of the PHW Act

Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008

Section 200

**DIRECTIONS FROM CHIEF HEALTH OFFICER IN ACCORDANCE WITH
EMERGENCY POWERS ARISING FROM DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY****Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 11)**

I, Adjunct Clinical Professor Brett Sutton, Chief Health Officer, consider it reasonably necessary to eliminate or reduce the serious risk to public health—and reasonably necessary to protect public health—to give the following directions pursuant to section 200(1)(b) and (d) of the **Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008** (Vic.) (**PHW Act**):

1 Preamble

- (1) These directions replace the **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 10)** and continue to provide a ‘traffic light’ border crossing scheme for persons seeking to enter Victoria from any other **State** or **Territory** in Australia or, after entering Australia from a **Green Zone Country** in order to limit the spread of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (**SARS-CoV-2**).
- (2) These directions must be read together with the **Directions currently in force**.

2 Citation

These directions may be referred to as the **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 11)**.

3 Commencement, revocation and transitional provisions

- (1) The **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 10)** are revoked at 11:59:00 pm on 30 April 2021.
- (2) These directions commence at 11:59:00 pm on 30 April 2021.
- (3) Any permit issued under a **revoked Border Crossing Permit Scheme Direction** continues to have effect until the validity period expires under the revoked Border Crossing Permit Scheme Direction.

Note: a person who has a permit under previous directions may continue to enter Victoria under that permit.

- (4) Any request for exemption submitted under a revoked Border Crossing Permit Scheme Direction continues to have effect.

Note: a person who has made a request for exemption under previous directions will be contacted to confirm whether or not the request for exemption is still required.

- (5) Any exemption granted under a revoked Border Crossing Permit Scheme Direction continues to have effect.

4 Restrictions on persons entering Victoria

- (1) A **prohibited person** must not enter Victoria unless the prohibited person:
 - (a) is an **aircrew services worker** who is permitted to enter Victoria under clause 9; or
 - (b) has a valid **transit permit** under clause 10; or
 - (c) has a valid **specified worker (other) permit** under clause 11(1); or
 - (d) has a valid **specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit** under clause 11(2)
 - (e) has a valid **specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit** under clause 11(7); or
 - (f) is an **excepted person** under clause 13; or
 - (g) has a valid exemption under clause 3(5) or 14.

Note: a prohibited person is not eligible to enter Victoria from a Green Zone Country under a freight worker permit under clause 11(7).

- (2) A **restricted person** must not enter Victoria unless the restricted person:
- (a) has a valid **green zone permit** under clause 5; or
 - (b) has a valid **orange zone permit** under clause 6; or
 - (c) has a valid **red zone permit** under clause 7; or
 - (d) is a **cross border community member** under clause 8; or
 - (e) is an aircrew services worker who is permitted to enter Victoria under clause 9; or
 - (f) has a valid transit permit under clause 10; or
 - (g) has a valid specified worker (other) permit under clause 11(1); or
 - (h) has a valid specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit under clause 11(2); or
 - (i) has a valid specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit under clause 11(7); or
 - (j) is an excepted person under clause 13; or
 - (k) has a valid exemption under clause 3(5) or 14.

Note: a restricted person is not eligible to enter Victoria from a Green Zone Country under a freight worker permit under clause 11(7).

5 Green zone permit

Eligibility

- (1) Subject to the requirements in subclause (2), the following restricted persons may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country:
- (a) a person who has not been in an area that is a **red zone** or an **orange zone** in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria; or
 - (b) a person who has been in a red zone or orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria only for the purpose of:
 - (i) completing the required period of **hotel quarantine** in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country immediately followed by direct and **short term transit** through a red zone or orange zone in that State, Territory or Green Zone Country to Victoria; or
 - (ii) direct and short term transit through a red zone or orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country to Victoria.
- Note: short term transit means a transit time of less than 24 hours. If a person spends more than 24 hours in any red zone, they will be a prohibited person. If a person spends more than 24 hours in any orange zone, they will remain a restricted person, however they will need to enter Victoria with an orange zone permit, unless any other exception applies or an exemption has been granted.*
- (2) A person referred to in subclause (1)(b) is permitted to enter Victoria if in transiting to Victoria the person:
- (a) travelled directly from their place of departure to Victoria; and
 - (b) whilst in direct and short term transit to Victoria through a red or orange zone:
 - (i) minimised contact with other persons (except in cases of emergency); and
 - (ii) did not enter or stay in any other vehicle or indoor space, except to the extent that such entry and stay was reasonable and necessary for the purpose of:
 - (A) departing for Victoria from an airport, seaport or railway station; or

- (B) travel to Victoria on a plane, train or sea vessel; or
- (C) accessing toilet and bathroom facilities; or
- (D) paying for fuel; or
- (E) purchasing essential items; or
- (F) purchasing takeaway food or drink; or
- (G) accessing accommodation; and

Note: the person must have purchased takeaway food and drink only and must have eaten or drunk in that person's vehicle and not in any other vehicle or indoor place whilst in transit through a red zone or orange zone.

- (iii) practised **physical distancing**; and
- (iv) kept detailed records of each place they stopped (including accommodation) in a red zone; and
- (v) wore a **face covering** at all times in all:
 - (A) indoor public places; and
 - (B) outdoor public spaces (where it was not practicable to practise physical distancing); and
 - (C) vehicles, if the restricted person or prohibited person was in a vehicle with any other person (unless the other person ordinarily resides with the person),

unless the person was exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**; and

- (c) if applicable, wore a face covering at all times during any flight to Victoria unless the person was exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**.

Requirements for entry

- (3) A person referred to in subclause (1) may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country, if the person:
 - (a) has a valid green zone permit which includes:
 - (i) the person's full name; and
 - (ii) the person's contact phone number; and
 - (iii) the full names of any person under the age of 18, or other dependants for whom the person is a parent, guardian or carer, entering Victoria with the person; and
 - (iv) the address from which the person is departing when entering Victoria; and
 - (v) where applicable, the current address where the person ordinarily resides; and
 - (vi) the address where the person will reside after entering Victoria; and
 - (vii) the date of entry to Victoria; and
 - (viii) if applicable, any planned date of departure from Victoria; and
 - (ix) an attestation by the person stating that (as at the date of attestation) the person (and any person under the age of 18 or other dependant entering Victoria with the person):
 - (A) will not have been in a red zone or orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, or will have only been in a red zone or orange zone in

a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria only for the purpose of:

1. completing the required period of hotel quarantine in that State, Territory or Green Zone Country immediately followed by direct and short term transit through a red zone or orange zone to Victoria; or
2. direct and short term transit through a red zone or orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country to Victoria,

whilst complying with the conditions set out in subclause (2); and

- (B) is not a **diagnosed person** or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country; and
 - (C) is not experiencing **SARS-CoV-2 symptoms**; and
 - (D) has provided information in the permit that is true and correct; and
 - (E) will not re-enter Victoria using a valid green zone permit if they have entered a red zone or an orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to the attempted re-entry, other than where subclause (A)(1.) or (2.) applies; and
 - (F) subject to subclause (G), will comply with the conditions in subclause (4); and
 - (G) acknowledges that any zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country may change from time to time and the person may be required to comply with different conditions in the **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 11)** (as amended from time to time); and
- (x) a QR code capable of being scanned by an **authorised officer**, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction); and
- (b) has been in hotel quarantine (including for the purpose of completing the required period of hotel quarantine or for any other purpose, including work) in Victoria or in other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, provides (at the time of applying for the green zone permit):
 - (i) the name of the facility attended; and
 - (ii) the name of the State, Territory or Green Zone Country of the facility attended.

Obligations after entry

- (4) A person who enters Victoria under subclause (1) must, during the green zone permit's validity period in subclause (5)(a) (or, if clause 6(6)(b) or clause 7(5)(b) applies, the relevant validity period in clause 6(5)(a) or clause 7(4)(a)):
 - (a) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) a valid green zone permit (or, if clause 6(6)(b) applies, a valid orange zone permit or if clause 7(5)(b) applies, a valid red zone permit); and

- (ii) subject to subclauses (iii) and (iv), photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

*Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any **municipal district**, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.*

- (iii) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (ii), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.

- (iv) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (ii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.

- (v) if the person has entered Victoria in accordance with subclause (1)(b)(i) (after completing the required period of hotel quarantine in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country), documentary evidence that the person has completed hotel quarantine in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country; and

- (b) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and get tested for SARS-CoV-2 if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (c) comply with all Directions currently in force.

Note: a person who enters Victoria under a green zone permit under subclause (1) must continue to comply with the Directions currently in force at all times when in Victoria.

Validity and revocation

- (5) A green zone permit:
- (a) is valid for 14 days from the date the person first enters Victoria (unless revoked earlier); and
- (b) may be used by the person to enter Victoria multiple times during the validity period in subclause (a); and
- (c) is revoked immediately if the person, other than for a purpose referred to in subclause (1)(b)(i) (hotel quarantine in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country) or (ii) (direct and short term transit to Victoria) is outside Victoria and:
- (i) enters a red zone or orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country after the delivery of the green zone permit; or
- (ii) has been in a red zone or orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to the delivery of the green zone permit.

Note: a person who has entered Victoria with a valid green zone permit and remains in Victoria does not need to apply for nor produce a new green zone permit after the initial green zone permit's validity period has expired.

Change to obligations after entry under green zone permit

- (6) If a person has entered Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country with a green zone permit and during the green zone permit validity period in subclause 5(a), the Chief Health Officer determines that any **relevant green zone** at last entry to Victoria is, on and from a date within 14 days prior to entry to Victoria:
- (a) a red zone, the higher, red zone obligations under clause 7(3)(a) – (n); or
 - (b) orange zone, the higher, orange zone obligations under clause 6(4)(a) – (g),
- will apply to the person from the time of notification by the **Department** for the remainder of the green zone permit validity period in subclause 5(a).

Example: A person arrives in Victoria with a green zone permit which is valid for 14 days from their arrival date. Two days after entering Victoria, a location the person travelled from to Victoria is determined to be a red zone on and from a date which is just prior to the person's entry to Victoria. The Department notifies the person that the green zone permit obligations which applied after entering Victoria have changed to align with the higher, red zone permit obligations in clause 7(3) for the remaining 12 days of the green zone permit's validity period. This includes requirements for the person to self-quarantine for the remaining 12 days and get tested at certain times.

6 Orange zone permit*Eligibility*

- (1) Subject to the requirements in subclause (2), the following restricted persons may enter Victoria from any other State, or Territory or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country:
- (a) a person who has not been in an area that is a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria; or
 - (b) a person who has been in a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria only for the purpose of direct and short term transit through a red zone in that State, Territory or Green Zone Country to Victoria.
- Note: short term transit means a transit time of less than 24 hours. If a person spends more than 24 hours in any red zone, they will be a prohibited person.*
- (2) A person referred to in subclause (1)(b) is permitted to enter Victoria if in transiting to Victoria the person has:
- (a) travelled directly from their place of departure to Victoria; and
 - (b) whilst in direct and short term transit to Victoria through a red zone: the person
 - (i) minimised contact with other persons (except in cases of emergency); and
 - (ii) did not enter or stay in any other vehicle or indoor space, except to the extent that such entry and stay was reasonable and necessary for the purpose of:
 - (A) departing for Victoria from an airport, seaport or railway station; or
 - (B) travel to Victoria on a plane, train or sea vessel; or
 - (C) accessing toilet and bathroom facilities; or
 - (D) paying for fuel; or
 - (E) purchasing essential items; or
 - (F) purchasing takeaway food or drink; or
 - (G) accessing accommodation; and
- Note: the person must have purchased takeaway food and drink only and must have only eaten or drank in that person's vehicle and not in any other vehicle or indoor place whilst in transit through a red zone or orange zone.*
- (iii) practised physical distancing; and

- (iv) kept detailed records of each place they stopped (including accommodation); and
- (v) wore a face covering at all times in all:
 - (A) indoor public places; and
 - (B) outdoor public spaces (where it was not practicable to practise physical distancing); and
 - (C) vehicles, if the person was in a vehicle with any other person (unless the other person ordinarily resides with the person), unless the person was exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**; and
- (vi) if applicable, wore a face covering at all times during any flight to Victoria unless the person was exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**.

Requirements for entry

- (3) A person referred to in subclause (1) may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country, if the person:
 - (a) has a valid orange zone permit which includes:
 - (i) the person's full name; and
 - (ii) the person's contact phone number; and
 - (iii) the full names of any person under the age of 18, or other dependants for whom the person is a parent, guardian or carer, entering Victoria with the person; and
 - (iv) the address from which the person is departing when entering Victoria; and
 - (v) where applicable, the current address where the person ordinarily resides; and
 - (vi) the address where the person will reside after entering Victoria; and
 - (vii) the date of entry to Victoria; and
 - (viii) if applicable, any planned date of departure from Victoria; and
 - (ix) an attestation by the person stating that (as at the date of attestation) the person (and any person under the age of 18 or other dependant entering Victoria with the person):
 - (A) will not have been in a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, or will only have been in a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria only for the purpose of direct and short term transit through a red zone in that State, Territory or Green Zone Country to Victoria, whilst complying with the conditions set out in clause 6(2); and
 - (B) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in any State, Territory or Green Zone Country; and
 - (C) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (D) has provided information in the permit that is true and correct; and
 - (E) subject to sub-subclause (F), will comply with the conditions in subclause (4); and

- (F) acknowledges that any zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country may change from time to time and the person may be required to comply with different conditions in the **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 11)** (as amended from time to time); and
- (x) a QR code capable of being scanned by an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction); and
- (b) has been in hotel quarantine (including for the purpose of completing the required period of hotel quarantine or for any other purpose, including work) in Victoria or in other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, provides (at the time of applying for the orange zone permit):
 - (i) the name of the facility attended; and
 - (ii) the name of the State, Territory or Green Zone Country of the facility attended.

Obligations after entry

- (4) A person who enters Victoria under subclause (1) must, during the orange zone permit validity period in subclause (5)(a) (or, if clause 5(6)(b) or clause 7(5)(a) applies, the relevant validity period in clause 5(5)(a) or clause 7(4)(a)):
 - (a) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) a valid orange zone permit (or, if clause 5(6)(b) applies, a valid green zone permit and if clause 7(5)(a) applies, a valid red zone permit); and
 - (ii) subject to subclauses (iii) and (iv), photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
 - Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.*
 - (iii) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (ii), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
 - Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.*
 - (iv) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (ii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18), and
 - Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.*

- (b) get tested for SARS-CoV-2 within 72 hours of:
 - (i) the time the person enters Victoria; or
 - (ii) if clause 5(6)(a) applies, the time of notification by the Department; or
 - (iii) if clause 7(5)(a) applies and the person has not been tested in accordance with clause 7(3)(e)(i) since entry to Victoria, the time the person enters Victoria; and
- (c) travel immediately and directly to, and self-quarantine at, the premises at which the person ordinarily resides or another premises that is suitable for the person to reside in for the purpose of self-quarantine until the person (including a person where clause 7(5)(a) and requirements to test under clause 7(3)(e)(i) applied) receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result; and

Note: If a person has been tested in accordance with clause 7(3)(e) since entering Victoria under red zone obligations, the Department has notified the person that they are now subject to orange zone obligations and the person has already received a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result, they may cease self-quarantining immediately.
- (d) reside at the premises described in subclause (c) and not leave the premises except:
 - (i) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (ii) to get tested for SARS-CoV-2; or
 - (iii) in an emergency situation; or
 - (iv) if required to do so by law; or
 - (v) to leave Victoria,
 during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (c); and
- (e) if the person leaves the premises described in subclause (c) in accordance with subclause (d) during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (c), wear a face covering in all:
 - (i) indoor public places; and
 - (ii) outdoor public places where the person is unable to practise physical distancing; and
 - (iii) vehicles, if the person is in a vehicle with any other person (unless the other person ordinarily resides with the person),
 unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**; and
- (f) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and get tested for SARS-CoV-2 if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (g) comply with all Directions currently in force.

Validity and revocation

- (5) An orange zone permit:
 - (a) is valid for 14 days from the date the person enters Victoria (unless revoked earlier); and
 - (b) may only be used once by a person to enter Victoria during the validity period in subclause (a); and
 - (c) is revoked immediately if the person is outside Victoria and:
 - (i) enters a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country after the delivery of the orange zone permit but prior to entry to Victoria; or
 - (ii) has been in a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to delivery of the orange zone permit.

Note: a person who has entered Victoria with a valid orange zone permit and remains in Victoria does not need to apply for nor produce a new orange zone permit after the initial orange zone permit's validity period has expired.

Change to obligations after entry under orange zone permit

- (6) If a person has entered Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country with an orange zone permit and during the orange zone permit validity period in subclause 5(a), the Chief Health Officer determines that:
- (a) any **relevant orange zone** at entry to Victoria is, on and from a date within 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, a red zone, the higher, red zone obligations under clause 7(3)(a) – (n) will apply to the person from the time of notification by the Department for the remainder of the orange zone permit validity period in subclause 5(a); or
 - (b) all relevant orange zones at entry to Victoria are, on and from a date within 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, **green zones**, the lesser, green zone obligations under clause 5(4)(a) – (c) will apply to the person from the time of notification by the Department for the remainder of the orange zone permit validity period in subclause 5(a).

Example: A person arrives in Victoria with an orange zone permit which is valid for 14 days from their arrival date. Two days after entering Victoria, a location the person travelled from to Victoria is determined to be a red zone on and from a date which is just prior to the person's entry to Victoria. The Department notifies the person that the orange zone permit obligations which applied after entering Victoria have changed to align with the higher, red zone permit obligations in clause 7(3) for the remaining 12 days of the orange zone permit's validity period. This includes requirements for the person to continue or recommence self-quarantining for the remaining 12 days and get tested at certain times, including just prior to the end of the self-quarantine period.

7 Red zone permit

Eligibility

- (1) Subject to the requirements in subclause (2), a **Victorian resident** may enter Victoria from any other State, or Territory or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country if the Victorian resident:
- (a) has not been at a **very high risk exposure site** in an area that is a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country during the **very high risk period**; and
 - (b) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) in any State, Territory or Green Zone Country and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in any State, Territory or Green Zone Country.

Requirements for entry

- (2) A person referred to in subclause (1) may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country, if the person:
- (a) has a valid red zone permit which includes:
 - (i) the person's full name; and
 - (ii) the person's contact phone number; and
 - (iii) the full names of any person under the age of 18, or other dependants for whom the person is a parent, guardian or carer, entering Victoria with the person; and
 - (iv) the address from which the person is departing when entering Victoria; and
 - (v) the address where the person ordinarily resides in Victoria; and
 - (vi) the address where the person will reside after entering Victoria; and
 - (vii) the date of entry to Victoria; and
 - (viii) if applicable, any planned date of departure from Victoria; and

- (ix) an attestation by the person stating that (as at the date of attestation) the person (and any person under the age of 18 or other dependant entering Victoria with the person):
 - (A) is a Victorian resident; and
 - (B) has not been at a **very high risk exposure site** in an area that is a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country during the **very high risk period**; and
 - (C) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) in any State, Territory or Green Zone Country and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in any State Territory or Green Zone Country; and
 - (D) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (E) has provided information in the **permit** that is true and correct; and
 - (F) subject to sub-subclause (G), will comply with the conditions in subclause (3); and
 - (G) acknowledges that any zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country may change from time to time and the person may be required to comply with different conditions in the **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 11)** (as amended from time to time); and
- (x) a QR code capable of being scanned by an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction); and
- (b) has been in hotel quarantine (including for the purpose of completing the required period of hotel quarantine or for any other purpose, including work) in Victoria or in other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, provides (at the time of applying for the red zone permit):
 - (i) the name of the facility attended; and
 - (ii) the name of the State, Territory or Green Zone Country of the facility attended.

Obligations after entry

- (3) A person who enters Victoria under subclause (1) must, during the red zone permit's validity period in subclause (4)(a) (or, if clause 5(6)(a) or clause 6(6)(a) applies, the relevant validity period in clause 5(5)(a) or clause 6(5)(a)):
 - (a) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) a valid red zone permit (or, if clause 5(6)(a) applies, a valid green zone permit and if clause 6(6)(a) applies, a valid orange zone permit); and
 - (ii) subject to subclauses (iii) and (iv), photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.

- (iii) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (ii), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.

- (iv) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (ii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.

- (b) if applicable, wear a face covering during each flight to Victoria unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**;
- (c) travel immediately and directly to, and self-quarantine at, the premises at which the person ordinarily resides or another premises that is suitable for the person to reside in for the purpose of self-quarantine for 14 days (subject to subclauses (g) and (h)(ii)); and
- (d) reside at the premises described in subclause (c) and not leave the premises except:
 - (i) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (ii) to get tested for SARS-CoV-2; or
 - (iii) in an emergency situation; or
 - (iv) if required to do so by law; or
 - (v) to leave Victoria,during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (c); and
- (e) get tested for SARS-CoV-2 within 72 hours of:
 - (i) the time the person enters Victoria; or
 - (ii) if clause 5(6)(a) applies, the time of notification by the Department; or
 - (iii) if clause 6(6)(a) applies and the person has not been tested in accordance with clause 6(4)(b)(i) since entry to Victoria, the time the person enters Victoria; and
- (f) get tested for SARS-CoV-2:
 - (i) on or about Day 13 during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (c); or
 - (ii) if clause 5(6)(a) or 6(6)(a) applies, on or about the day before the period of self-quarantine under subclause (c) ends;
- (g) if, during the period of self-quarantine, the person refuses or otherwise fails to take a test for SARS-CoV-2 in accordance with subclause (f), the period of self-quarantine in subclause (c) (as extended under subclause (h)(ii)) is extended for an additional period being the earlier of:
 - (i) an additional 14 days; or

- (ii) until the person gets tested for SARS-CoV-2 and receives a negative test result; and

Note: any test undertaken in accordance with subclause (3)(e) will not satisfy the requirement in subclause (3)(g)(ii).

Note: persons entering Victoria with a red zone permit will be required to test for SARS-CoV-2 on or around day 13 of their self-quarantine (or the day before the end of self-quarantine), as testing at this time is likely to detect the presence of SARS-CoV-2, even if a person has not yet developed symptoms. As a person may be infectious for up to 14 days after the 14 day incubation period, if this test does not occur, an additional 14 days of quarantine is required to prevent a person who develops SARS-CoV-2 towards the end of the 14 day incubation period, even if not symptomatic, transmitting SARS-CoV-2 to the broader community.

- (h) if, during the period of self-quarantine:
 - (i) the person is tested for SARS-CoV-2; and
 - (ii) subject to subclause (iii), the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (c) expires during the period in which the person is awaiting the result of that test, the period of self-quarantine is extended until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result; and
 - (iii) if the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result and:
 - (A) the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (c) has not expired, the person must continue to self-quarantine under subclause (c) for the remainder of that period; or
 - (B) the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (c) (as extended under either or both of subclauses (g) and (h)(ii)) has expired, the person may cease self-quarantining immediately;
- (i) provide documentary evidence that the person has been tested in accordance with subclauses (e) and (f) (including evidence of the person's most recent test) to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) when requested to do so; and
- (j) minimise contact with other persons in Victoria (except in an emergency); and
- (k) practise physical distancing; and
- (l) wear a face covering in all public places, unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**; and
- (m) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and, if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms:
 - (i) notify the Department; and
 - (ii) immediately get tested for SARS-CoV-2; and
- (n) comply with all Directions currently in force.

Validity and revocation

- (4) A red zone permit:
 - (a) is valid for 14 days from the date the person first enters Victoria (unless revoked earlier); and
 - (b) may only be used once by a person to enter Victoria during the validity period in subclause (a); and

- (c) is revoked immediately if the person is outside Victoria and:
 - (i) has been at a **very high risk exposure site** in an area that is a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country during the **very high risk period**:
 - (A) prior to delivery of the red zone permit; or
 - (B) after delivery of the red zone permit; or
 - (ii) is or becomes a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) in any State, Territory or Green Zone Country and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in any State Territory or Green Zone Country:
 - (A) prior to delivery of the red zone permit; or
 - (B) after delivery of the red zone permit.

Note: a person who has entered Victoria with a valid red zone permit and remains in Victoria does not need to apply for nor produce a new red zone permit after the initial red zone permit's validity period has expired.

Change to obligations after entry under red zone permit

- (5) If a person has entered Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country with a red zone permit and during the red zone permit validity period in subclause (4)(a), the Chief Health Officer determines that:
 - (a) all **relevant red zones** at entry to Victoria are, on and from a date within 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, orange zones (or a combination of orange zones and green zones), the lesser, orange zone obligations under clause 6(4)(a) – (g) will apply to the person from the time of notification by the Department for the remainder of the red zone permit validity period in subclause (4)(a); or
 - (b) all relevant red zones at entry to Victoria are, on and from a date within 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, green zones, the lesser, green zone obligations under clause 5(4)(a) – (c) will apply to the person from the time of notification by the Department for the remainder of the red zone permit validity period in subclause 4(a).

Example: A person arrives in Victoria with a red zone permit which is valid for 14 days from their arrival date. Two days after entering Victoria, all locations that the person travelled from to Victoria are determined to be orange zones (or a combination of orange and green zones) on and from a date which is just prior to the person's entry to Victoria. The Department notifies the person that the red zone permit obligations which applied after entering Victoria have changed to align with the lesser, orange zone permit obligations in clause 6(4) for the remaining 12 days of the red zone permit's validity period. This includes requirements for the person to continue self-quarantining until they are tested for SARS-CoV-2 and receive a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result. If the person has already been tested for SARS-CoV-2 in accordance with clauses 7(3)(e) or 7(3)(f) and has received a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result, the person may cease self-quarantining immediately.

8 Cross border community members

- (1) Despite clauses 5, and 6, a restricted person may enter Victoria from a **cross border community area** without a permit if the restricted person:
 - (a) is a cross border community member; and
 - (b) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine in any State or Territory; and
 - (c) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (d) if the person has been in an orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country outside of the cross border community area in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, the person has been tested for SARS-CoV-2 since they last left the orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country and has received a negative SARS CoV-2 test result; and

- (e) has not been in a red zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country outside of the cross border community area in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria.
- (2) A cross border community member who enters Victoria under subclause (1) must:
 - (a) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) proof that the person is a cross border community member (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
 - (ii) subject to subclause (iii), photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.
 - (iii) if the person is unable to provide proof that the person is a cross border community member or photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (i) or (ii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) that the person is a cross border community member (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider from the cross border community area confirming that the person is a cross border community member, confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.
 - (b) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
 - (c) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and get tested for SARS-CoV-2 if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms.

9 Aircrew

- (1) Despite clauses 5, 6 and 7, a prohibited person or a restricted person who is an aircrew services worker may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia from a Green Zone Country, if the person:
 - (a) subject to subclause (3), whose ordinary place of residence is outside of Victoria and within red zone or orange zone in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, is required to enter and be physically present in Victoria for the purpose of providing aircrew services; or
 - (b) subject to subclause (4), whose ordinary place of residence is outside of Victoria and within a green zone in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, is required to enter and be physically present in Victoria for the purpose of providing aircrew services; or
 - (c) subject to subclause (5), is a Victorian resident who is required to enter and be physically present in any other State or Territory in Australia, or in a Green Zone Country, for the purpose of providing aircrew services and is entering Victoria for the purpose of returning to their ordinary place of residence in Victoria; and
 - (d) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine in a State or Territory in Australia or in a Green Zone Country; and

- (e) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 Symptoms.
- (2) An aircrew services worker who enters Victoria under subclause (1) must:
 - (a) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
 - (b) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and get tested for SARS-CoV-2 if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms.
- (3) An aircrew services worker who enters Victoria under subclause (1)(a) must:
 - (a) travel directly by private transport between the designated crew hotel and any airport of arrival or departure; and
 - (b) not leave the designated crew hotel other than:
 - (i) to travel to the airport of departure; or
 - (ii) in an emergency; or
 - (iii) to undertake required simulator training or emergency procedures training; and
 - (c) wear a face covering during each flight to and from Victoria and when travelling between the designated crew hotel and the airport (unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**); and
 - (d) otherwise comply with relevant airline requirements and **COVIDSafe Plan** whilst in Victoria and in any other State or Territory in Australia or in a Green Zone Country.
- (4) An aircrew services worker who enters Victoria under subclause (1)(b) must comply with their respective airline's COVIDSafe Plan while travelling to and from a red zone or orange zone in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria.
- (5) An aircrew services worker who enters Victoria under subclause (1)(c), who travels to or from a red zone or orange zone in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria must:
 - (a) travel directly by private transport between the designated crew hotel and any airport of arrival or departure whilst in the red zone or orange zone; and
 - (b) not leave the designated crew hotel whilst in the red zone or orange zone, other than:
 - (i) to travel to the airport of departure; or
 - (ii) in an emergency; and
 - (iii) to undertake required simulator training or emergency procedures training; and
 - (c) otherwise comply with relevant airline requirements and COVIDSafe Plan whilst in Victoria and in any other State or Territory in Australia or in a Green Zone country.

10 Transit through Victoria

- (1) Despite clauses 5 and 6, a restricted person or a prohibited person whose ordinary place of residence is not in Victoria may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country, if:
 - (a) the person is required to enter and be physically present in Victoria for the purpose of direct and short term transit through Victoria by air, sea, rail or road; and

Note: short term transit means a transit time of less than 24 hours. If a person transiting through Victoria under clause 10 spends more than 24 hours in Victoria, they will be a prohibited person or a restricted person and must either have a valid permit, an exception or an exemption (as applicable).

- (b) the person has a valid transit permit which includes:
 - (i) the person's full name; and
 - (ii) the person's contact phone number; and
 - (iii) the full names of any person under the age of 18, or other dependants for whom the person is a parent, guardian or carer, entering Victoria with the person; and
 - (iv) the address from which the person is departing when entering Victoria; and
 - (v) where applicable, the current address where the person ordinarily resides; and
 - (vi) the address where the person will reside after entering Victoria; and
 - (vii) the date of entry to Victoria; and
 - (viii) if applicable, any planned date of departure from Victoria; and
 - (ix) an attestation by the person stating that (as at the date of attestation) the person (and any person under the age of 18 or other dependant entering Victoria with the person):
 - (A) is entering Victoria for purpose of direct and short term transit through Victoria by air, sea, rail or road; and
 - (B) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country; and
 - (C) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (D) has provided information in the permit that is true and correct; and
 - (E) will comply with the conditions in subclause (2) and (3) (as applicable); and
 - (x) a QR code capable of being scanned by an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction); and
 - (c) the person has been in hotel quarantine (including for the purpose of completing the required period of hotel quarantine or for any other purpose, including work) in Victoria or in other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, provides (at the time of applying for the transit permit):
 - (i) the name of the facility attended; and
 - (ii) the name of the State, Territory or Green Zone Country of the facility attended.
- (2) A person who enters Victoria under subclause (1) must:
- (a) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) a valid transit permit; and
 - (ii) subject to subclauses (iii) and (iv), photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.

- (iii) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (ii), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.
 - (iv) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (ii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.
 - (b) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
 - (c) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and get tested for SARS-CoV-2 if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms.
- (3) Without limiting subclause (2), if a person has been in a red zone or orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, the person must:
- (a) not enter or stay in any other vehicle or indoor space, except to the extent that such entry and stay is reasonable and necessary for the purpose of:
 - (i) departing for Victoria from an airport, seaport or railway station; or
 - (ii) travel to Victoria on a plane, train or sea vessel; or
 - (iii) accessing toilet and bathroom facilities; or
 - (iv) paying for fuel; or
 - (v) purchasing essential items; or
 - (vi) purchasing takeaway food or drink; or
 - (vii) accessing accommodation; and*Note: the person is permitted to purchase takeaway food and drink only and must eat or drink in that person's vehicle and not in any other vehicle or indoor place whilst in transit through Victoria.*
 - (b) minimise contact with other persons in Victoria (except in an emergency); and
 - (c) practise physical distancing; and
 - (d) keep detailed records of each place they stop (including accommodation) in Victoria; and
 - (e) wear a face covering in all public places, unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**; and
 - (f) if applicable, wear a face covering during each flight to Victoria unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**.
- (4) A transit permit:
- (a) is valid for 24 hours from the time the person first enters Victoria (unless revoked earlier); and
 - (b) may only be used once by a person to enter Victoria during the validity period in subclause (a).

11 Specified workers

Specified worker (other) permit - eligibility

- (1) Despite clauses 5 and 6, a prohibited person or a restricted person who is:
- (a) required to enter and be physically present in Victoria for the purpose of providing **specified work** in an occupation included in the **Specified Worker List – Single Entry** and performs any of that specified work indoors; or
 - (b) a Victorian resident who is:
 - (i) required to enter and be physically present in another State or Territory or a Green Zone Country for the purpose of providing specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker List – Single Entry and performs any of that specified work indoors; and
 - (ii) is entering Victoria for the purpose of returning to their ordinary place of residence in Victoria,

may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country, if:

- (c) the person has a valid specified worker (other) permit which includes:
 - (i) the person's full name; and
 - (ii) the person's contact phone number; and
 - (iii) the full names of any person under the age of 18, or other dependants for whom the person is a parent, guardian or carer, entering Victoria with the person; and
 - (iv) the address from which the person is departing when entering Victoria; and
 - (v) where applicable, the current address where the person ordinarily resides; and
 - (vi) the address where the person will reside after entering Victoria; and
 - (vii) the date of entry to Victoria; and
 - (viii) if applicable, any planned date of departure from Victoria; and
 - (ix) an attestation by the person stating that (as at the date of attestation) the person (and any person under the age of 18 or other dependant entering Victoria with the person):
 - (A) is a **specified worker (other)** and is entering Victoria for the relevant purpose in subclause (a) or (b)(ii); and
 - (B) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country; and
 - (C) has not been at a very high risk exposure site in an area that is a red zone during the very high risk period; and
 - (D) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (E) has provided information in the permit that is true and correct; and
 - (F) will comply with the conditions in subclauses (3), (4) and (5), as applicable; and
 - (x) a QR code capable of being scanned by an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction); and

- (d) if the person has been in hotel quarantine (including for the purpose of completing the required period of hotel quarantine or for any other purpose, including work) in Victoria or in other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, provides (at the time of applying for the specified worker (other) permit):
 - (i) the name of the facility attended; and
 - (ii) the name of the State, Territory or Green Zone Country of the facility attended.

Specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit – eligibility

- (2) Despite clauses 5 and 6, a prohibited person or a restricted person who is:
 - (a) required to enter and be physically present in Victoria for the purpose of providing specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker List – Single Entry and performs all of that specified work exclusively outdoors; or
 - (b) a Victorian resident who is:
 - (i) required to enter and be physically present in another State or Territory or a Green Zone Country for the purpose of providing specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker List – Single Entry and performs all of that specified work exclusively outdoors; and
 - (ii) is entering Victoria for the purpose of returning to their ordinary place of residence in Victoria,

may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country, if:

- (c) the person has a valid specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit which includes:
 - (i) the person's full name; and
 - (ii) the person's contact phone number; and
 - (iii) the full names of any person under the age of 18, or other dependants for whom the person is a parent, guardian or carer, entering Victoria with the person; and
 - (iv) the address from which the person is departing when entering Victoria; and
 - (v) where applicable, the current address where the person ordinarily resides; and
 - (vi) the address where the person will reside after entering Victoria; and
 - (vii) the date of entry to Victoria; and
 - (viii) if applicable, any planned date of departure from Victoria; and
 - (ix) an attestation by the person stating that (as at the date of attestation) the person (and any person under the age of 18 or other dependant entering Victoria with the person):
 - (A) is a specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) and is entering Victoria for the relevant purpose in subclause (a) or (b) (ii); and
 - (B) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent) in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country; and
 - (C) has not been at a very high risk exposure site in an area that is a red zone during the very high risk period; and

- (D) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (E) has provided information in the permit that is true and correct; and
- (F) will comply with the conditions in subclauses (3), (4) and (5), as applicable; and
- (x) a QR code capable of being scanned by an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction); and
- (d) if the person has been in hotel quarantine (including for the purpose of completing the required period of hotel quarantine or for any other purpose, including work) in Victoria or in other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, provides (at the time of applying for the specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit):
 - (i) the name of the facility attended; and
 - (ii) the name of the State, Territory or Green Zone Country of the facility attended.

Specified worker (other) permit and specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit – conditions after entry

- (3) A person who enters Victoria under subclauses (1) or (2) must:
 - (a) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) a valid specified worker (other) permit or specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit; and
 - (ii) subject to subclauses (iii) and (iv), photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.
 - (iii) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (ii), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.
 - (iv) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (ii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.
 - (b) unless the person is a Victorian resident, only remain in Victoria for the period reasonably necessary to provide the specified work; and

- (c) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
- (d) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and get tested for SARS-CoV-2 if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (e) otherwise comply with the relevant COVIDSafe Plan while in Victoria and in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country (including while travelling to and from a red zone or orange zone in the other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria); and
- (f) without limiting subclause (e), if the person is specified worker permitted to enter Victoria for the purpose of a Tier 1 or Tier 2 event under the **Public Event Framework**, comply with the relevant COVIDSafe Plan for the Tier 1 or Tier 2 Event.

Note: a specified worker (other) or a specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) may be accompanied by a dependent child under the age of 18 years or other dependent person, such as an adult with a disability, if the dependant is to receive emergency or essential medical care or other urgent care, provided the dependant complies with the requirements under subclause (2) whilst in Victoria.

- (4) If a restricted person enters Victoria under subclauses (1) or (2) and has been in an orange zone in the 14 days prior to entry into Victoria, that person must, in addition to the obligations in subclause (3):
 - (a) get tested for SARS-CoV-2 within 72 hours of the time the person enters Victoria; and
 - (b) travel immediately and directly to, and self-quarantine at, the premises at which the person will reside for the period of the specified worker permit or alternative premises that are suitable for the person to reside in for the purpose of self-quarantine until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result; and
 - (c) reside at the premises described in subclause (b) and not leave the premises except:
 - (i) for the purpose of undertaking the relevant specified work; or
 - (ii) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (iii) to obtain takeaway food and drink; or
 - (iv) to access toilet and bathroom facilities; or
 - (v) to get tested for SARS-CoV-2; or
 - (vi) in an emergency situation; or
 - (vii) if required to do so by law; or
 - (viii) to leave Victoria,during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (c); and
 - (d) if the person leaves the premises described in subclause (b) in accordance with subclause (c) during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (b), wear a face covering in all:
 - (i) indoor public places; and
 - (ii) outdoor public places; and
 - (iii) vehicles, if the person is in a vehicle with any other person (unless the other person ordinarily resides with the person),unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**.

- (5) If a prohibited person enters Victoria:
- (a) under subclause (1), that person must, in addition to the obligations in subclause (3):
- (i) subject to subclause (ii), get tested for SARS-CoV-2:
 - (A) within 72 hours of the time the person enters Victoria; and
 - (B) during the period that is 4 to 7 days of the day the person enters Victoria; and
 - (C) during the period that is 12 to 14 days of the day the person enters Victoria; and
 - (ii) if the person is a worker at an offshore petroleum or gas storage facility who cannot reasonably get tested for SARS-CoV-2 while working, get tested for SARS-CoV-2 within 72 hours of the time the person first enters Victoria during each specified worker (other) permit or specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit validity period in subclause (6); and
 - (iii) travel immediately and directly to, and self-quarantine at, the premises at which the person will reside for the period of the specified worker permit or another premises that is suitable for the person to reside in for the purposes of self-quarantine, for 14 days (subject to subclauses (v) and (vi)(A)); and
 - (iv) reside at the premises described in subclause (iii) and not leave the premises except:
 - (A) for the purpose of undertaking the relevant specified work, but only after the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result; or
 - (B) to obtain takeaway food and drink; or
 - (C) to access toilet and bathroom facilities; or
 - (D) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (E) to get tested for SARS-CoV-2; or
 - (F) in an emergency situation; or
 - (G) if required to do so by law; or
 - (H) to leave Victoria,
 during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (iii); and
 - (v) if, during the period of self-quarantine, the person refuses or otherwise fails to take a test for SARS-CoV-2 in accordance with subclause (i) (C) (including as extended under subclause (vi)(A)), the period of self-quarantine in subclause (iii) is extended for an additional period being the earlier of:
 - (A) an additional 14 days; or
 - (B) until the person gets tested for SARS-CoV-2 and receives a negative test result; and

Note: any tests undertaken pursuant to subclauses (5)(a)(i)(A) or (B) do not satisfy the requirement in subclause 5(a)(v)(B).

Note: prohibited persons entering Victoria pursuant to subclause 11(1) will be required to test for SARS-CoV-2 on or around day 13 of their self-quarantine (or the day before the end of self-quarantine), as testing at this time is likely to detect the presence of SARS-CoV-2, even if a person has not yet developed symptoms. As a person may be infectious for up to 14 days after the 14 day incubation period, if this test does not occur, an additional 14 days of quarantine is required to prevent a person who develops SARS-CoV-2 towards

the end of the 14 day incubation period, even if not symptomatic, transmitting SARS-CoV-2 to the broader community.

- (vi) if, during the period of self-quarantine:
 - (A) the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) expires during the period in which the person is awaiting the result of a test required by subclause (i), the period of self-quarantine is extended until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result; and
 - (B) if the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result and:
 - 1. the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) has not expired, the person must continue to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) for the remainder of that period; and
 - 2. the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) (as extended under either or both of subclauses (v) and (vi)(A)) has expired, the person may cease self-quarantining immediately; and
- (vii) if the person leaves the premises described in subclause (iii) in accordance with subclause (iv) during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (iii), wear a face covering in all:
 - (A) indoor public places; and
 - (B) outdoor public places; and
 - (C) vehicles, if the person is in a vehicle with any other person (unless the other person ordinarily resides with the person);unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**;
- (b) under subclause (2), that person must, in addition to the obligations in subclause (3):
 - (i) subject to subclause (ii), get tested for SARS-CoV-2:
 - (A) within 7 days of the day the person enters Victoria; and
 - (B) during the period that is 12 to 14 days of the day the person enters Victoria; and
 - (ii) if the person is a worker at an offshore petroleum or gas storage facility who cannot reasonably get tested for SARS-CoV-2 while working, get tested for SARS-CoV-2 within 72 hours of the time the person first enters Victoria during each specified worker (other) permit or specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit validity period in subclause (6); and
 - (ii) travel immediately and directly to, and self-quarantine at, the premises at which the person will reside for the period of the specified worker permit or another premises that is suitable for the person to reside in for the purposes of self-quarantine, for 14 days (subject to subclauses (v) and (vi)(A)); and
 - (iv) reside at the premises described in subclause (iii) and not leave the premises except:
 - (A) to perform the relevant specified work; or
 - (B) to purchase takeaway food and drink; or
 - (C) to access toilet and bathroom facilities; or

- (D) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (E) to get tested for SARS-CoV-2; or
 - (F) in an emergency situation; or
 - (G) if required to do so by law; or
 - (H) to leave Victoria,
- during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (iii); and
- (v) if, during the period of self-quarantine, the person refuses or otherwise fails to take a test for SARS-CoV-2 in accordance with subclause (i) (B) (including as extended under subclause (vi)(A)), the period of self-quarantine in subclause (iii) is extended for an additional period being the earlier of:
- (A) 14 days; or
 - (B) until the person gets test for SARS-CoV-2 and receives a negative test result; and

Note: a test undertaken pursuant to subclauses (5)(b)(i)(A) does not satisfy the requirement in subclause 5(b)(v)(B).

Note: prohibited persons entering Victoria pursuant to subclause 11(2) will be required to test for SARS-CoV-2 on or around day 13 of their self-quarantine (or the day before the end of self-quarantine), as testing at this time is likely to detect the presence of SARS-CoV-2, even if a person has not yet developed symptoms. As a person may be infectious for up to 14 days after the 14 day incubation period, if this test does not occur, an additional 14 days of quarantine is required to prevent a person who develops SARS-CoV-2 towards the end of the 14 day incubation period, even if not symptomatic, transmitting SARS-CoV-2 to the broader community.

- (vi) if, during the period of self-quarantine:
- (A) the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) expires during the period in which the person is awaiting the result of a test required by subclause (i), the period of self-quarantine is extended until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result; and
 - (B) if the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result and:
 1. the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) has not expired, the person must continue to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) for the remainder of that period; and
 2. the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (iii) (as extended under either or both of subclauses (v) and (vi)(A)) has expired, the person may cease self-quarantining immediately; and
- (vii) if the person leaves the premises described in subclause (iii) in accordance with subclause (iv) during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (iii), wear a face covering in all:
- (A) indoor public places; and
 - (B) outdoor public places; and
 - (C) vehicles, if the person is in a vehicle with any other person (unless the other person ordinarily resides with the person),
- unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**.

- (6) A specified worker (other) permit and a specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit:
- (a) is valid for 14 days from the date the person first enters Victoria (unless revoked earlier); and
 - (b) may be used by a person to enter Victoria on a single occasion during the validity period in subclause (a).

Specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit

- (7) Despite clauses 5 and 6, a prohibited person or a restricted person who is:
- (a) required to enter and be physically present in Victoria for the purpose of providing specified work in an occupation included in the **Specified Worker (Low Workplace Interaction) List**; or
 - (b) a Victorian resident who is:
 - (i) required to enter and be physically present in any other State or Territory in Australia for the purpose of providing specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker (Low Workplace Interaction) List; and
 - (ii) is entering Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia for the purpose of returning to their ordinary place of residence in Victoria,may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia if:
 - (c) during all times the person was in an orange zone in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, the person:
 - (i) has not carried any person as a passenger in the driver's cabin of a vehicle, other than for the purpose of providing specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker (Low Workplace Interaction) List; and
 - (ii) minimised contact with other persons (except in cases of emergency); and
 - (iii) practised physical distancing; and
 - (d) during all times the person was in a red zone in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, the person:
 - (i) has not carried any person as a passenger in the driver's cabin of a vehicle, other than for the purpose of providing specified work in an occupation listed in the Specified Worker (Low Workplace Interaction) List; and
 - (ii) kept detailed records of all travel and each place they stopped (including accommodation); and
 - (iii) wore a face covering at all times in all:
 - (A) indoor public places; and
 - (B) outdoor public places; and
 - (C) vehicles, if the person was in a vehicle with any other person (unless the other person ordinarily resides with the person); and
 - (iv) minimised contact with other persons (except in cases of emergency); and
 - (v) practised physical distancing; and
 - (e) the person has a valid specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit which includes:
 - (i) the person's full name; and
 - (ii) the person's contact phone number; and

- (iii) the full names of any person under the age of 18, or other dependants for whom the person is a parent, guardian or carer, entering Victoria with the person; and
 - (iv) the address from which the person is departing when entering Victoria; and
 - (v) where applicable, the current address where the person ordinarily resides; and
 - (vi) the address where the person will reside after entry to Victoria; and
 - (vii) the date of entry to Victoria; and
 - (viii) if applicable, any planned date of departure from Victoria; and
 - (ix) an attestation by the person stating that (as at the date of attestation) the person (and any person under the age of 18 or other dependant entering Victoria with the person):
 - (A) is a specified worker (low workplace interaction) and is entering Victoria for the relevant purpose in subclause (a) or (b)(ii); and
 - (B) is not a diagnosed person or a close contact of a diagnosed person (or equivalent) and/or required to self-isolate or self-quarantine in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country; and
 - (C) has not been at a very high risk exposure site in an area that is a red zone during the very high risk period; and
 - (D) is not experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (E) has provided information in the permit that is true and correct; and
 - (F) will comply with the conditions in subclause (5); and
 - (x) a QR code capable of being scanned by an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction); and
 - (f) the person has been in hotel quarantine (including for the purpose of completing the required period of hotel quarantine or for any other purpose, including work) in Victoria or in other State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, provides (at the time of applying for the freight worker permit):
 - (i) the name of the facility attended; and
 - (ii) the name of the State, Territory or Green Zone Country of the facility attended.
- (8) A person who enters Victoria under subclause (7) and who is:
- (a) a restricted person who has been in an orange zone in the 14 days prior to entry into Victoria and has not received a negative SARS-CoV-2 test since arriving in Victoria; or
 - (b) a prohibited person,
- must:
- (c) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) a valid specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit; and
 - (ii) subject to subclauses (iii) and (iv), photographic personal identification and evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.

- (iii) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (ii), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country correspondence, credit card, or utility bill.

- (iv) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (ii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.

- (d) must not work while experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (e) must, unless the person is a Victorian resident, only remain in Victoria for the period reasonably necessary to provide the relevant specified work; and
- (f) must get tested for SARS-CoV-2 at least once every 7 days during each specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit validity period in subclause (9); and

Note: nothing in subclause (f) is intended to require a person to be tested for SARS-CoV-2 more than twice in any 14 day period, including where a person enters Victoria more than once in any 14 day period.

- (g) carry and provide documentary evidence that the person has been tested in accordance with subclause (f) (including evidence of the person's most recent test) to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) when requested to do so; and
- (h) minimise contact with other persons; and
- (i) wear a face covering, unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**, for 14 days commencing from when the person enters Victoria or, if the person is a person referred to in subclause (i), until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result, when in:
 - (i) indoor public places; and
 - (ii) outdoor public places; and
 - (iii) a vehicle if the person is in the vehicle with any other person with whom the person does not ordinarily reside at a private premises; and
- (j) not carry a person as a passenger in the driver's cabin of a vehicle other than for the purpose of providing specified work; and
- (k) if driving through a red zone, keep detailed records of each place they stop (including accommodation) in Victoria; and

- (l) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
- (m) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms and get tested for SARS-CoV-2 if experiencing SARS-CoV-2 symptoms.

Note: a specified worker (low workplace interaction) may be accompanied by a dependent child under the age of 18 years or other dependent person, such as an adult with a disability, if the dependant is to receive emergency or essential medical care or other urgent care, provided the dependant complies with the requirements under subclause (8) whilst in Victoria.

- (9) A specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit:
 - (a) is valid for 14 days from the date the person first enters Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia (unless revoked earlier); and
 - (b) may be used by a person to enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia multiple times during the validity period in subclause (a).

12 Applications for a permit

- (1) A person may apply for a **permit** using a digital system provided by the **Service Victoria CEO** and other parts of the Victorian Government.
- (2) An application for a permit must contain all information reasonably required by the Department from time to time, for the purpose of protecting public health.
- (3) The Service Victoria CEO:
 - (a) may deliver a permit to a person if clause:
 - (i) 5 (green zone permit); or
 - (ii) 6 (orange zone permit); or
 - (iii) 7 (red zone permit); or
 - (iv) 10 (transit permit); or
 - (v) 11(1) (specified worker (other) permit); or
 - (vi) 11(2) (specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit); or
 - (vii) 11(7) (specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit),
 applies, the person makes an application under subclause (1) and the application complies with the requirements under subclause (2); and
 - (b) may provide a copy of the permit to the Department; and
 - (c) will provide any information contained in an application to the Department on behalf of the person.
- (4) A person must not give information, or make a statement, in an application for a permit that is false or misleading in a material particular.

13 Excepted persons

- (1) A restricted person or prohibited person may enter Victoria from any other State or Territory in Australia or, after entering Australia, from a Green Zone Country, without a permit:
 - (a) to provide emergency or time-critical essential medical care or other urgent care; or
 - (b) to receive or accompany a dependant who is to receive, emergency or essential medical care or other urgent care; or

Example 1: essential medical care includes medical care requiring continuity of treatment, such as chemotherapy or dialysis treatment.

Example 2: other urgent care may include essential care for a person with a disability or a dependant of a person, if there are no alternate care arrangements available, but does not include ordinary child-minding services.

- (c) if the person is a Victorian resident and the person is returning to Victoria after leaving Victoria to:
 - (i) provide emergency or time-critical essential medical care or other urgent care; or
 - (ii) receive or accompany a dependant who received, emergency or essential medical care or other urgent care; or
- (d) to provide or receive emergency services or to ensure the provision of telecommunications, critical infrastructure, essential prevention and recovery from emergencies or essential public services (including services provided by **emergency workers** and child protection workers and time-critical essential services provided by healthcare workers and care facility workers); or

Note 1: nothing in subclause (d) is intended to permit a person who is a Victorian resident but is or has been in a green zone, orange zone or red zone in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country for travel and leisure purposes, to enter Victoria for the purpose of resuming and/or returning to the provision of emergency services, telecommunications, critical infrastructure, essential prevention and recovery from emergencies and essential public services in the ordinary course of the person's work. Such persons are required to apply for and obtain a valid permit for entry to Victoria.

Note 2: a person entering Victoria under subclause (d) is required to carry a letter from their employer evidencing the need for that worker to enter Victoria under subclause (d).

Note 3: for the purposes of subclause (d), emergency services includes responses to environmental emergencies such as oil spills or bushfires.

- (e) if the person is a Victorian resident and the person is returning to Victoria after leaving Victoria to provide or receive emergency services or ensure the provision of telecommunications, critical infrastructure, essential prevention and recovery from emergencies and essential public services (including services provided by emergency workers and child protection workers and time-critical essential services provided by healthcare workers and care facility workers); or
- (f) to escape harm or the risk of harm, including harm relating to family violence or violence of another person; or
- (g) if the person is a Victorian resident and the person is returning to Victoria after leaving Victoria to escape harm or the risk of harm, including harm relating to family violence or violence of another person; or
- (h) if the person is a **school** student travelling on a bus undertaking a usual or regular route to or from the school that the student is enrolled at; or
- (i) if the person remains on the same premises where that premises is both in the State of Victoria and either:
 - (i) the State of New South Wales; or
 - (ii) the State of South Australia; or
- (j) for purposes related to the administration of justice in Victoria, any other State or Territory in Australia or the Commonwealth of Australia; or

Example: State, Territory or Commonwealth judicial officers and essential court or tribunal staff entering Victoria for the purpose of necessary, in-person court or tribunal hearings in Victoria, and prison transfers.

- (k) if the person is a Victorian resident and the person is returning to Victoria after leaving Victoria for purposes related to the administration of justice in Victoria, any other State or Territory in Australia or the Commonwealth of Australia; or

Example: State, Territory or Commonwealth judicial officers and essential court or tribunal staff returning to Victoria after necessary in-person court or tribunal hearing in any other State or Territory in Australia, and prison transfers.

- (l) for purposes related to shared custody arrangements (court ordered or non-court ordered); or
 - (m) if the person is a Victorian resident and the person is returning to Victoria after leaving Victoria for purposes related to shared custody arrangements (court ordered or non-court ordered); or
 - (n) as required or authorised by law; or
 - (o) if the person is a Victorian resident and the person is returning to Victoria after leaving Victoria as required or authorised by law; or
 - (p) for the purposes of:
 - (i) state security or **national security**; or
 - (ii) giving effect to a military transfer; or
 - (iii) official orders given to a member of the Australian Defence Force; or
 - (q) if the person is a Victorian resident and the person is returning to Victoria after leaving Victoria for the purposes of:
 - (i) state security or national security; or
 - (ii) giving effect to a military transfer; or
 - (iii) official orders given to a member of the Australian Defence Force; or

Note: nothing in subclause (q) is intended to permit a person who is a Victorian resident but is currently in or has been in a green zone, orange zone or red zone in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country for travel and leisure purposes, to enter Victoria for the purpose of resuming and/or returning to the provision of state security or national security services in the ordinary course of the person's work. Such persons are required to apply for and obtain a valid permit for entry to Victoria.
 - (r) if the person leaves Victoria to travel along the Murray River but only if the person:
 - (i) does not set foot on the banks of the Murray River on the New South Wales side or South Australian side of the Murray River (unless the person is a restricted person from a cross border community area); and
 - (ii) prohibits or prevents any prohibited person from travelling on the Murray River with them or entering Victoria with them; or
 - (s) if the person is a Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or equivalent person in New South Wales or South Australia) stationed on border duties or otherwise engaged in policing duties; or
 - (t) if the person is a passenger or **public transport** worker travelling on a public transport service which leaves and re-enters Victoria without stopping at a place outside of Victoria during the course of its usual and regular route and operations;

Note: a person who boards a public transport service in Victoria where the route goes through New South Wales or South Australia and back into Victoria without stopping before disembarking in is not required to apply for a permit.
- (2) A restricted person who enters Victoria as an excepted person under subclause (1) (except where the restricted person enters Victoria as an excepted person in accordance with subclause (1)(h) or (i)) must:
- (a) where the person is entering Victoria from a green zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country:
 - (i) subject to subclause (ii), carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (A) subject to sub-subclauses (B) and (C), photographic personal identification and evidence of the address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.

- (B) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with sub-subclause (A), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.

- (C) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with sub-subclause (A), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.

- (ii) if subclause (1)(s) applies, carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) photographic identification and documentary evidence that the person is stationed on border duties or otherwise engaged in policing duties; and
- (iii) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
- (iv) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (v) unless the person is a Victorian resident, only remain in Victoria for the period reasonably necessary for the purpose they entered Victoria; and
- (vi) if they are a diagnosed person or someone who has been in close contact with a diagnosed person, comply with the requirements of the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**; and
- (b) subject to subclause (d), where the person is a Victorian resident entering Victoria from an orange zone in any other State, Territory or a Green Zone Country who has not been in an orange zone in a State, Territory or a Green Zone Country outside the cross border community area in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria:
- (i) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
- (A) subject to sub-subclauses (B) and (C), photographic personal identification and evidence of the address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
- Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.*

- (B) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (i), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
- Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country correspondence, credit card, or utility bill.*
- (C) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (i), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
- Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.*
- (ii) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
- (iii) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (iv) if they are a diagnosed person or someone who has been in close contact with a diagnosed person, comply with the requirements of the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**; and
- (c) subject to subclause (d), where the person is entering Victoria from an orange zone in any other State, Territory or a Green Zone Country is not a Victorian resident or has been in an orange zone in a State, Territory or a Green Zone Country outside the cross border community area in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria:
- (i) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
- (A) subject to sub-subclauses (B) and (C), photographic personal identification and evidence of the address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
- Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.*
- (B) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with sub-subclause (A), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
- Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.*
- (C) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with sub-subclause (A), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the

authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.

- (ii) be tested for SARS-CoV-2 within 72 hours of entering Victoria; and
 - (iii) self-quarantine at the premises at which the person ordinarily resides or another premises that is suitable for the person to reside in for the purpose of self-quarantine for 14 days or until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result (whichever is earlier) and not leave the premises except:
 - (A) if subclause (1) (a), (b), (d), (f), (j), (l), (n), (p) or (s) applies, to perform the activity for which they were permitted to enter Victoria; or
 - (B) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (C) to get tested for SARS-CoV-2; or
 - (D) in an emergency situation; or
 - (E) if required to do so by law; or
 - (F) to leave Victoria; or
 - (G) if the prohibited person has entered Victoria to escape harm, only self-quarantine to the extent it is reasonably practicable to do so in all the circumstances,during the period of self-quarantine under this subclause; and
 - (iv) provide documentary evidence that the person has been tested in accordance with subclause (ii) (including evidence of the person's most recent test) to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) when requested to do so; and
 - (v) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
 - (vi) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (vii) wear a face covering when in public for a period of 14 days from entry to Victoria or until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result (whichever is earlier) (over and above the Directions currently in force, unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**); and
 - (viii) if they are a diagnosed person or someone who has been in close contact with a diagnosed person, comply with the requirements of the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**; and
- (d) where the person is entering Victoria from an orange zone and subclause (1)(s) applies:
- (i) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) photographic identification and documentary evidence that the person is stationed on border duties or otherwise engaged in policing duties; and
 - (ii) if the person has been in an orange zone outside of the cross border community area in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria, comply with the requirements under subclauses (c)(ii)-(viii) as if those requirements applied to the person.

- (3) Subject to subclause (4), a prohibited person who enters Victoria as an excepted person under subclause (1) must:
- (a) where the person is a Victorian resident entering Victoria from a red zone who has not been in a red zone outside the cross border community area in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria:
- (i) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
- (A) subject to sub-subclauses (B) and (C), photographic personal identification and evidence of the address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by a State or Territory in Australia or a passport issued by Australia. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by a State or Territory in Australia or any municipal district, local government area or unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island), including a rates notice.
- (B) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with sub-subclause (A), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Centrelink correspondence, credit card, or utility bill.
- (C) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with sub-subclause (A), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.
- (ii) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
- (iii) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
- (iv) if they are a diagnosed person or someone who has been in close contact with a diagnosed person, comply with the requirements of the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**; and
- (b) where the person is entering Victoria from a red zone and is not a Victorian resident or has been in a red zone outside the cross border community area in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria:
- (i) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
- (A) subject to sub-subclauses (B) and (C), photographic personal identification and evidence of the address where the person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by

any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.

- (B) if the person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with sub-subclause (A), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the person's identity (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.

- (C) if the person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with sub-subclause (A), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the person's address (unless the person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the person's identity and confirming the person's address or other place of residence arrangements.

- (ii) self-quarantine at the premises at which the person ordinarily resides or another premises that is suitable for the person to reside in for the purpose of self-quarantine for 14 days (subject to subclauses (iv) and (v)(B)) and not leave the premises except:

- (A) if subclause (1) (a), (b), (d), (f), (j), (l), (n), (p) or (s) applies to perform the activity for which they were permitted to enter Victoria; or
- (B) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
- (C) to get tested for SARS-CoV-2; or
- (D) in an emergency situation; or
- (E) if required to do so by law; or
- (F) to leave Victoria; or
- (G) if the prohibited person has entered Victoria to escape harm, only self-quarantine to the extent it is reasonably practicable to do so in all the circumstances,

during the period of self-quarantine under this subclause; and

- (iii) get tested for SARS-CoV-2:

- (A) within 72 hours of the time the person enters Victoria; and
- (B) on or about Day 13 during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (ii); and

- (iv) if, during the period of self-quarantine, the person refuses or otherwise fails to take a test for SARS-CoV-2 on or about Day 13 of the period of self-quarantine, the period of self-quarantine in subclause (ii) (as extended under sub-subclause (v)(B)) is extended for an additional period being the earlier of:

- (A) an additional 14 days; or
- (B) until the person gets tested for SARS-CoV-2 and receives a negative test result; and

Note: a test undertaken pursuant to subclause (3)(b)(iii)(A) does not satisfy the requirement in subclause 3(b)(iv)(B).

Note: Persons entering Victoria from a red zone will be required to test for SARS-CoV-2 on or around day 13 of their self-quarantine (or the day before the end of self-quarantine), as testing at this time is likely to detect the presence of SARS-CoV-2, even if a person has not yet developed symptoms. As a person may be infectious for up to 14 days after the 14 day incubation period, if this test does not occur, an additional 14 days of quarantine is required to prevent a person who develops SARS-CoV-2 towards the end of the 14 day incubation period, even if not symptomatic, transmitting SARS-CoV-2 to the broader community.

- (v) if, during the period of self-quarantine:
 - (A) the person is tested for SARS-CoV-2; and
 - (B) subject to sub-subclause (C) the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (ii) expires during the period in which the person is awaiting the result of that test, the period of self-quarantine is extended until the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result; and
 - (C) if the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result and:
 - 1. if the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (ii) has not expired, the person must continue to self-quarantine under subclause (ii) for the remainder of that period; or
 - 2. if the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (ii) (as extended under either or both subclauses (iv) and (v)(B)) has expired, the person may cease self-quarantining immediately; and
 - (vi) provide documentary evidence that the person has been tested in accordance with subclause (iii) and (iv) (including evidence of the person's most recent test) to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) when requested to do so; and
 - (vii) comply with all Directions currently in force; and
 - (viii) monitor for SARS-CoV-2 symptoms; and
 - (ix) only remain in Victoria for the period reasonably necessary for the purpose (except in case of emergency); and
 - (x) minimise contact with other persons in Victoria; and
 - (xi) practise physical distancing; and
 - (xii) keep detailed records of each place they stop (including accommodation) in Victoria; and
 - (xiii) wear a face covering (unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**):
 - (A) during each flight to and from Victoria; and
 - (B) when in public for a period of 14 days from entry to Victoria (over and above the Directions currently in force); and
 - (xiv) if they are a diagnosed person or someone who has been in close contact with a diagnosed person, comply with the requirements of the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**.
- (4) A prohibited person who enters Victoria as an excepted person under subclause (1)(s) must:
- (a) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction)

- photographic identification and documentary evidence that the person is stationed on border duties or otherwise engaged in policing duties; and
- (b) if the person has been in red zone outside of the cross border community area in the 14 days before the person enters Victoria, comply with the requirements under subclause (3)(b)(i)–(xiv) as if those requirements applied to the person.

13 Exemption power

Request for exemption

- (1) A restricted person or a prohibited person is not required to comply with a requirement of these directions if the person is granted an exemption from that requirement under:
- (a) subclause (6) (specific circumstances); or
- (b) subclause (11).
- (2) A person may request an exemption by:
- (a) using a digital system provided by the Service Victoria CEO and other parts of the Victorian Government; or
- (b) contacting the Department by phone (or other method determined by the Department from time to time).
- (3) A request for exemption must contain all information reasonably required by the Department from time to time, for the purpose of protecting public health.
- (4) The Service Victoria CEO will provide any information contained in a request for exemption under subclause (2)(a) to the Department.

Exemptions for specific circumstances

- (5) A person may request an exemption from any or all requirements contained in these directions:
- (a) to attend a funeral or end of life event; or
- (b) if a person owns or has responsibilities in relation to an animal, to meet obligations to sustain the life and wellbeing of that animal; or
- (c) to return to the person's ordinary place of residence for health, wellbeing, care or compassionate reasons; or
- (d) to effect an emergency relocation.
- (6) The Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer (or the Secretary or a Deputy Secretary to the Department or an Executive Director or Director in the COVID-19 Response Division of the Department) may exempt a person from any or all requirements contained in these directions, if satisfied that an exemption is appropriate, having regard to the:
- (a) need to protect public health; and
- (b) principles in sections 5 to 10 of the PHW Act, as appropriate.
- (7) Before granting any exemption under subclause (6) the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer (or the Secretary or a Deputy Secretary to the Department or an Executive Director or Director in the COVID-19 Response Division of the Department) must consider:
- (a) if the person is:
- (i) lawfully permitted to leave a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in accordance with the laws in force in that jurisdiction; and
- (ii) seeking to enter Victoria:
- (A) to attend a funeral or end of life event; or
- (B) if a person owns or has responsibilities in relation to an animal, to meet obligations to sustain the life and wellbeing of that animal; or

- (C) to return to the person's ordinary place of residence for health, wellbeing, care or compassionate reasons; or
 - (D) to effect an emergency relocation; and
- (b) documentary evidence provided by the person of:
- (i) the circumstances described in subclause (a); or
 - (ii) test results or other medical information in relation to the person, including any negative SARS-CoV-2 test result received by the person within 72 hours prior to the person's proposed or actual entry to Victoria; or
- Note: a Victorian resident may not need to be tested for SARS-CoV-2 in any other State, Territory or Green Zone Country before entering Victoria but if not tested within 72 hours prior to the person's proposed or actual entry to Victoria, must be tested for SARS-CoV-2 within 72 hours of returning to Victoria (unless the exemption specifically provides otherwise).*
- (iii) directions or permissions given to that person from a State, Territory or Green Zone Country not to self-isolate or self-quarantine (or equivalent),
- and any further documentary evidence requested by the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer (or the Secretary or a Deputy Secretary to the Department or an Executive Director or Director in the COVID-19 Response Division of the Department) and provided by the person.
- (8) An exemption granted under subclause (6):
- (a) must:
 - (i) be given by the Department, in writing, to the person who is the subject of the exemption; and
 - (ii) specify the requirement or requirements that the person need not comply with; and
 - (b) may be subject to additional or different conditions approved by the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer.
- (9) An exemption granted under subclause (6) does not prevent an authorised officer from exercising an **emergency power** to give the person a different direction or impose a different requirement or condition of exemption on the person.

Exemptions, generally

- (10) A person may request an exemption from any or all requirements contained in these directions.
- (11) The Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer (or the Secretary or a Deputy Secretary to the Department or an Executive Director or Director in the COVID-19 Response Division of the Department) may exempt a person or group of persons from any or all requirements contained in these directions, if satisfied that an exemption is appropriate, having regard to the:
- (a) need to protect public health; and
 - (b) principles in sections 5 to 10 of the PHW Act, as appropriate.
- (12) Before granting any exemption under subclause (11) the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer (or the Secretary or a Deputy Secretary to the Department or an Executive Director or Director in the COVID-19 Public Health Division of the Department) must consider:
- (a) the circumstances set out in any request; and
 - (b) any documentary evidence provided by the person, including test results or other medical information in relation to the person; and

- (c) any further documentary evidence requested by the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer (or the Secretary or a Deputy Secretary to the Department or an Executive Director or Director in the COVID-19 Response Division of the Department) and provided by the person.
- (13) An exemption under subclause (11):
- (a) must:
 - (i) be given by the Department, in writing, to the person who is the subject of the exemption; or
 - (ii) be published by the Department, in writing, for the purpose of any group of persons who are the subject of the exemption; and
 - (iii) specify the requirement or requirements that the person or group of persons need not comply with; and
 - (b) may be subject to additional or different conditions approved by the Chief Health Officer or Deputy Chief Health Officer.
- (14) An exemption granted under subclause (11) does not prevent an authorised officer from exercising an emergency power to give the person or group of persons a different direction or impose a different requirement on the person or group of persons.

Conditions of exemption

- (15) A restricted person who enters Victoria under an exemption granted under subclause (11) must:
- (a) enter Victoria at a point of entry and within 72 hours of the time set out in the exemption; and
 - Note: an exemption will expire if the prohibited person does not enter Victoria within 72 hours of the time set out in the exemption and the prohibited person will need to re-apply for a new exemption.*
 - (b) where the person has been in an orange zone in a State, Territory or Green Zone Country in the previous 14 days, comply with any conditions imposed on the exemption.
- (16) A prohibited person who enters Victoria under an exemption granted under subclause (6) or subclause (11) must:
- (a) enter Victoria at a point of entry and within 72 hours of the time set out in the exemption; and
 - Note: an exemption will expire if the prohibited person does not enter Victoria within 72 hours of the time set out in the exemption and the prohibited person will need to re-apply for a new exemption.*
 - (b) carry, and present on request to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction):
 - (i) the exemption; and
 - (ii) documentary evidence supporting the grounds for the exemption, if applicable; and
 - (iii) subject to subclauses (iv) and (v), the prohibited person's photographic personal identification including the address at which the prohibited person ordinarily resides (unless the person is under the age of 18); and
 - Example: photographic personal identification includes a driver's licence issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or a passport issued by Australia or a Green Zone Country. Evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides includes a driver's licence or any other document issued by any State, Territory or Green Zone Country or any municipal district, local government area, unincorporated local government area (not including Lord Howe Island) or local authority, including a rates notice.*

- (iv) if the prohibited person is unable to provide photographic personal identification in accordance with subclause (iii), 2 forms of documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) to prove the prohibited person's identity (unless the prohibited person is under the age of 18); and

Example: documentary evidence includes Medicare card, Australian, State, Territory or Green Zone Country government correspondence, credit card or utility bill.

- (v) if the prohibited person is unable to provide evidence of the current address where the person ordinarily resides in accordance with subclause (iii), other documentary evidence satisfactory to the authorised officer, Victoria Police member or Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) of the prohibited person's address (unless the prohibited person is under the age of 18); and

Example: a letter from an Indigenous community leader or community services provider confirming the prohibited person's identity and confirming the prohibited person's address or other place of residence arrangements.

- (c) unless the specific conditions of the exemption granted to the prohibited person provide that the person is not required to be tested for SARS-CoV-2, get tested for SARS-CoV-2:
 - (i) unless the person has received a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result within 72 hours prior to entry to Victoria, within 72 hours of the time the person enters Victoria; and
 - (ii) on or about Day 13 during the period of self-quarantine under subclause (g); and
- (d) travel directly from their place of departure to Victoria; and
- (e) whilst in direct and short term transit to Victoria, minimise contact with other persons; and
- (f) travel directly to the premises at which the prohibited person ordinarily resides or such other premises suitable for the prohibited person to reside in for the purpose of self-quarantine in accordance with subclause (g); and
- (g) self-quarantine at the premises at which the prohibited person ordinarily resides or another premises that is suitable for the prohibited person to reside in for the purpose of self-quarantine for 14 days (subject to subclauses (h) and (i)(ii)), and only leave that premises:
 - (i) to attend a specified event or place, subject to additional requirements set out in the exemption in relation to:
 - (A) the period the prohibited person may spend at the specified event or place; and
 - (B) whether other persons with whom the prohibited person does not ordinarily reside are permitted to be present at the specified event or place; and
 - (C) if the prohibited person is permitted to attend a worksite, record keeping requirements of any worksite the prohibited person attends; or
 - (ii) to obtain medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (iii) to get tested for SARS CoV-2; or
 - (iv) in an emergency situation; or
 - (v) if required to do so by law; or
 - (vi) to leave Victoria; and

- (h) unless the specific conditions of the exemption granted to the prohibited person provide that the person is not required to be tested for SARS-CoV-2, if, during the period of self-quarantine, the person refuses or otherwise fails to take a test for SARS-CoV-2 on or about Day 13 of the period of self-quarantine, the period of self-quarantine in subclause (g) (as extended under subclause (i)(ii)) is extended for an additional period being the earlier of:
 - (i) an additional 14 days; or
 - (ii) until the person gets tested for SARS-CoV-2 and receives a negative test result; and

Note: any tests undertaken pursuant to subclause (16)(c)(i) does not satisfy the requirement in subclause (16)(h)(ii).
 - (i) unless the specific conditions of the exemption granted to the prohibited person provide that the person is not required to be tested for SARS-CoV-2, if, during the period of self-quarantine:
 - (i) the person is tested for SARS-CoV-2; and
 - (ii) subject to subclause (iii), the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (g) expires during the period in which the person is awaiting the result of that test, the period of self-quarantine is extended until the person receives a negative SARS CoV-2 test result; and
 - (iii) if the person receives a negative SARS-CoV-2 test result and:
 - (A) the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (g) has not expired, the person must continue to self-quarantine under subclause (g) for the remainder of that period; or
 - (B) the period for which the person is required to self-quarantine under subclause (g) (as extended under either or both of subclauses (h) and (i)(ii)) has expired, the person may cease self-quarantining immediately; and
 - (j) unless the specific conditions of the exemption granted to the prohibited person provide that the person is not required to be tested for SARS-CoV-2, provide documentary evidence:
 - (i) of any negative SARS-CoV-2 test result received by the person within 72 hours prior to the person's proposed or actual entry to Victoria; and
 - (ii) that the person has been tested in accordance with subclause (c) (including evidence of the person's most recent test) to an authorised officer, a Victoria Police member or a Protective Services Officer (or other person under such person's direction) when requested to do so; and
 - (k) wear a face covering when in public (over and above the Directions currently in force, unless the person is exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering in accordance with the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**); and
 - (l) practise physical distancing; and
 - (m) advise the Department immediately if the prohibited person experiences any SARS-CoV-2 Symptoms.
- (17) Nothing in subclauses (15) and (16) prevents an authorised officer from exercising an emergency power to give a person a different direction or impose a different requirement or condition of exemption on the person.

15 Definitions

In these directions:

- (1) **aircrew services worker** means a pilot or a member of cabin crew undertaking operational flying duties or proficiency training on an aircraft that is not an aircraft of any part of the Australian Defence Force (including any aircraft that is commanded by a member of that Force in the course of duties as such a member);
 - (2) **authorised officer** has the same meaning as in the PHW Act;
 - (3) **commercial freight worker** means a person providing commercial freight services who is a heavy vehicle driver, rail crew or a support worker and who is subject to the **freight code**;
 - (4) **COVIDSafe Plan** has the same meaning as in the **Workplace Directions (No. 26)**;
 - (5) **cross border community area** means a **municipal district**, local government area or unincorporated local government area adjacent to or in close proximity to the border between the **State** of New South Wales and Victoria as detailed on the **Department's** website available at: www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/victorian-border-crossing-permit as amended from time to time by the Victorian Government with the approval of the Chief Health Officer;
 - (6) **cross border community member** means a person whose ordinary place of residence is in the **cross border community area**;
 - (7) **Department** means the Victorian Department of Health;
 - (8) **diagnosed person** has the same meaning as in the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**;
 - (9) **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions** means the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions (No. 21)** as amended from time to time;
 - (10) **Directions currently in force** has the same meaning as in the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**;
 - (11) **emergency powers** has the same meaning as in the PHW Act;
 - (12) **emergency worker** has the same meaning as in the **Sentencing Act 1991**;
 - (13) **excepted person** has the meaning in clause 13(1);
 - (14) **face covering** has the meaning in the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**;
 - (15) **freight code** means the 'Freight Movement Code for the Domestic Border Controls – Freight Movement Protocol' published by the Australian Government on 7 August 2020, as amended from time to time;
 - (16) **green zone** means any location in a **State, Territory** or **Green Zone Country** that is not a **red zone** or an **orange zone**;
 - (17) **Green Zone Country** means a country with a current, valid (and not temporarily or permanently suspended) safe travel zone agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia;
- Note: information regarding countries with current, valid (and not temporarily or permanently suspended) safe travel zone agreements with the Commonwealth of Australia is available at www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert/coronavirus-covid-19-restrictions/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-for-international-travellers#travel-zones as amended from time to time*
- (18) **green zone permit** has the meaning in clause 5;
 - (19) **hotel quarantine** means a program requiring a person to quarantine at a hotel in accordance with a public health order, public health directions, regulations or any other law of any **State, Territory**, the Commonwealth of Australia or **Green Zone Country** made in order to limit the spread **SARS-CoV-2**;
 - (20) **municipal district** has the same meaning as in the **Local Government Act 1989**;

- (21) **national security** has the meaning that security has in the **Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Act 1979** of the Commonwealth;
- (22) **offshore petroleum or gas storage facility** has the meaning that facility has in Schedule 3 to the **Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2010**;
- (23) **orange zone** means a location in a **State, Territory or Green Zone Country** assessed as medium risk for **SARS-CoV-2** transmission, but only during the specific period declared for that location, detailed on the **Department's** website available at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/victorian-border-crossing-permit as amended from time to time with the approval of the Chief Health Officer;
- (24) **orange zone permit** has the meaning in clause 6;
- (25) **physical distancing** means the practice of physically maintaining a distance, where it is reasonably practicable to do so, of at least 1.5 metres from any other person except those persons with whom a person ordinarily resides;
- (26) **permit** means the written notice (digital or otherwise) provided under clause 12 and includes:
 - (a) **green zone permit**; and
 - (b) **orange zone permit**; and
 - (c) **red zone permit**; and
 - (d) **specified worker (other) permit**; and
 - (e) **specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit**; and
 - (f) **specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit**; and
 - (g) **transit permit**;
- (27) **prohibited person** means a person who has been in a **red zone** in a **State, Territory or Green Zone Country** in the 14 days prior to entry to Victoria but does not include:
 - (a) a person described in clause 5(1)(b);
 - (b) a **Victorian resident** described in clause 6(1); or
 - (c) a Victorian resident described in clause 7(1);
- (28) **Public Event Framework** has the meaning in clause 18 of the **Restricted Activity Directions**;
- (29) **public transport** has the same meaning as in the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**;
- (30) **red zone** means a location in a **State, a Territory or Green Zone Country** assessed as high risk for **SARS-CoV-2** transmission, but only during the specific period declared for that location, detailed on the **Department's** website available at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/victorian-border-crossing-permit as amended from time to time with the approval of the Chief Health Officer;
- (31) **red zone permit** has the meaning in clause 7;
- (32) **relevant green zone** is any **green zone** in a **State, Territory or Green Zone Country** that the person has been in during the 14 days prior to the person's entry to Victoria;
- (33) **relevant orange zone** is any **orange zone** in a **State, Territory or Green Zone Country** that the person has been in during the 14 days prior to the person's entry to Victoria;
- (34) **relevant red zone** is any **red zone** in a **State, Territory or Green Zone Country** that the person has been in during the 14 days prior to the person's entry to Victoria;
- (35) **Restricted Activity Directions** means the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria) (No. 14)** as amended from time to time;
- (36) **restricted person** means any person who is not a **prohibited person**;

- (37) **revoked Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions** means the following directions:
- (a) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions**, given on 18 December 2020;
 - (b) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions (No. 2)**, given on 20 December 2020;
 - (c) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions (No. 3)**, given on 30 December 2020;
 - (d) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions (No. 4)**, given on 1 January 2021;
 - (e) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions (No. 5)**, given on 1 January 2021;
 - (f) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions (No. 6)**, given on 3 January 2021;
 - (g) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions (No. 7)**, given on 5 January 2021;
 - (h) **New South Wales Border Crossing Permit Scheme Directions (No. 8)**, given on 7 January 2021;
 - (i) **New South Wales and Queensland Border Crossing Scheme Directions**, given on 8 January 2021;
 - (j) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions**, given on 11 January 2021;
 - (k) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 2)**, given on 12 January 2021;
 - (l) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 3)**, given on 17 January 2021;
 - (m) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 4)**, given on 22 January 2021;
 - (n) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 5)**, given on 29 January 2021;
 - (o) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 6)**, given on 26 February 2021;
 - (p) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 7)**, given on 15 March 2021;
 - (q) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 8)**, given on 26 March 2021;
 - (r) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 9)**, given on 9 April 2021;
 - (s) **Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions (No. 10)**, given on 23 April 2021;
- (38) **SARS-CoV-2 symptoms** means symptoms consistent with SARS-CoV-2, including but not limited to the following:
- (a) a fever ($\geq 37.5^{\circ}\text{C}$) or consistent fever of less than 37.5°C (such as night sweats, chills);
 - (b) acute respiratory infection (such as cough, shortness of breath, sore throat);
 - (c) loss of smell;
 - (d) loss of taste;
- (39) **school** means a registered school as defined in the **Education and Training Reform Act 2006**;

- (40) **short term transit** means a transit period of less than 24 hours, except in an emergency;
- (41) **Service Victoria CEO** has the same meaning as in the **Service Victoria Act 2018**;
- (42) **specified work** has the same meaning as in the Department’s document titled “Travellers eligible to apply for a permit under specified workers categories” (www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/travellers-eligible-to-apply-for-specified-worker-permit) as amended from time to time by the Victorian Government with the approval of the Chief Health Officer;
- (43) **specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities)** means a person employed or engaged to provide specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker List – Single Entry and who performs all of that work exclusively outdoors;
- (44) **specified worker (low workplace interaction)** means a person employed or engaged to provide specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker (Low Workplace Interaction) List;
- (45) **specified worker (other)** means a person employed or engaged to provide specified work in an occupation included in the Specified Worker List – Single Entry and who performs any of that work indoors;
- (46) **specified worker (exclusive outdoor activities) permit** has the meaning in clause 11(2);
- (47) **specified worker (low workplace interaction) permit** has the meaning in clause 11(7);
- (48) **specified worker (other) permit** has the meaning in clause 11(1);
- (49) **Specified Worker List – Single Entry** means the list on the Department’s website at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/travellers-eligible-to-apply-for-specified-worker-permit as amended from time to time by the Victorian Government with the approval of the Chief Health Officer;
- (50) **Specified Worker (Low Workplace Interaction) List** means the list on the Department’s website at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/travellers-eligible-to-apply-for-specified-worker-permit as amended from time to time by the Victorian Government with the approval of the Chief Health Officer;
- (51) **State** means a State in Australia (and otherwise has the meaning in the Australian Constitution);
- (52) **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)** means the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria) (No. 20)** as amended from time to time;
- (53) **Territory** means a territory in Australia (and otherwise has the meaning in the Australian Constitution);
- (54) **transit permit** has the meaning in clause 10;
- (55) **very high risk exposure site** means a site in a **State**, a **Territory** or **Green Zone Country**:
 - (a) assessed as very high risk for **SARS-CoV-2** transmission described:
 - (i) by a State, Territory, the Commonwealth of Australia or a Green Zone Country on the relevant government website, as amended from time to time; or
 - (ii) on the **Department’s** website available at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/victorian-border-crossing-permit as amended from time to time with the approval of the Chief Health Officer; and
 - (b) which is subject to:
 - (i) any public health order, public health directions, regulations or any other law made in order to limit the spread **SARS-CoV-2** currently in force in a State, Territory, the **Commonwealth of Australia** or a Green Zone Country; or

- (iv) any **Directions currently in force**, requiring any persons who have been at the site at any time during the **very high risk period** to self-isolate or to self-quarantine (or equivalent) until a period of 14 days (or such longer period as may be directed) has elapsed from the time the persons had been at the site during the very high risk period;
- (56) **very high risk period** means the period of time in which a **very high risk exposure site** in a **State**, a **Territory** or **Green Zone Country** is assessed as very high risk for **SARS-CoV-2** transmission, as specified:
- (a) by a State, Territory, the Commonwealth of Australia or a Green Zone Country on the relevant government website, as amended from time to time; or
 - (b) on the **Department's** website available at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/victorian-border-crossing-permit, as amended from time to time with the approval of the Chief Health Officer;
- (57) **Victorian resident** means a person who ordinarily resides in Victoria.

16 Penalties

- (1) Section 210 of the PHW Act provides:

False or misleading information

- (1) A person must not—
- (a) give information that is false or misleading in a material particular; or
 - (b) make a statement that is false or misleading in a material particular; or
 - (c) produce a document that is false or misleading in a material particular—
- to the Secretary, a Council, the Chief Health Officer or an authorised officer under this Act or the regulations without indicating the respect in which it is false or misleading and, if practicable, providing correct information.

Penalty: In the case of a natural person, 60 penalty units;

In the case of a body corporate, 300 penalty units.

Note: currently, 60 penalty units equals \$9,912 and 300 penalty units equals \$49,466.

- (2) A person must not make an entry in a document required to be kept by this Act or the regulations that is false or misleading.

Penalty: In the case of a natural person, 60 penalty units;

In the case of a body corporate, 300 penalty units.

Note: currently, 60 penalty units equals \$9,912 and 300 penalty units equals \$49,466.

- (3) In a proceeding for an offence against subsection (1) or (2) it is a defence to the charge for the accused to prove that at the time at which the offence is alleged to have been committed, the accused believed on reasonable grounds that the information, statement or document was true or was not misleading.

- (2) Section 203 of the PHW Act provides:

Compliance with direction or other requirement

- (1) A person must not refuse or fail to comply with a direction given to the person, or a requirement made of the person, in the exercise of a power under an authorisation given under section 199.

Penalty: In the case of a natural person, 120 penalty units;

In the case of a body corporate, 600 penalty units.

Note: currently, 120 penalty units equals \$19,826 and 600 penalty units equals \$99,132.

- (2) A person is not guilty of an offence against subsection (1) if the person had a reasonable excuse for refusing or failing to comply with the direction or requirement.

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- (3) A person who fails to comply with these directions is liable for an on-the-spot fine of:
- (a) in the case of a natural person:
 - i. aged 18 years or older – \$1,652;
 - ii. aged 15 years or older but under the age of 18 years – \$660.80;
 - iii. aged under 15 years – \$165.20; or
 - (b) in the case of a body corporate – \$9,913; or
 - (c) if the contravention of these directions is constituted by refusing or failing to comply with a requirement to self-isolate or self-quarantine:
 - i. in the case of a person aged 18 years or older – \$4,957;
 - ii. in the case of a child aged 15 years or older but under the age of 18 years – \$826.10; or
 - iii. in the case of a child under the age of 15 years – \$165.20; or
 - (d) if the contravention of these directions is constituted by refusing or failing to comply with a requirement in relation to a person travelling from a restricted area (however described) and seeking to enter Victoria without a reasonable excuse or other valid reason or excuse, in the case of a natural person:
 - i. aged 18 years or older – \$4,957;
 - ii. aged 15 years or older but under the age of 18 years – \$826.10;
 - iii. under the age of 15 years – \$165.20.
- (4) Additionally, a person who fails to comply with these directions may in certain circumstances be liable to prosecution under the PHW Act for the maximum penalties outlined in subclause (2).

Dated 30 April 2021

ADJUNCT CLINICAL PROFESSOR BRETT SUTTON
Chief Health Officer,
as authorised to exercise emergency powers
under sections 20A and 199(2)(a) of the PHW Act

Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008

Section 200

DIRECTIONS FROM CHIEF HEALTH OFFICER IN ACCORDANCE WITH
EMERGENCY POWERS ARISING FROM DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY

Workplace Directions (No. 26)

I, Adjunct Clinical Professor Brett Sutton, Chief Health Officer, consider it reasonably necessary to eliminate or reduce the risk to public health—and reasonably necessary to protect public health—to give the following directions pursuant to section 200(1)(d) of the **Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008** (Vic.) (**PHW Act**):

1 Preamble

- (1) The presence of a person with a positive diagnosis of Novel Coronavirus 2019 (**SARS-CoV-2**) at a **Work Premises** is considered to pose an immediate risk of transmission to persons who attend, or may attend, the Work Premises.
- (2) The purpose of these directions is to limit the number of Victorians attending Work Premises to assist in reducing the frequency and scale of **outbreaks** of SARS-CoV-2 in Victorian workplaces and to establish more specific obligations on **employers** and **workers** in relation to managing the risk associated with SARS-CoV-2.
- (3) These directions must be read together with the **Directions currently in force**.
- (4) These directions are intended to supplement any obligation an employer may have under the **OHS Act** and are not intended to derogate from any such obligations.
- (5) These directions replace the **Workplace Directions (No. 25)**.

2 Citation

These directions may be referred to as the **Workplace Directions (No. 26)**.

3 Revocation

The **Workplace Directions (No. 25)** are revoked at 11:59:00 pm on 30 April 2021.

4 Commencement

These directions commence at 11:59:00 pm on 30 April 2021 and end at 11:59:00 pm on 7 May 2021.

5 Operation of a Work Premises

- (1) An employer must comply with the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)** where it applies to that employer.
- (2) An employer must comply with the **Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions** where it applies to that employer.
- (3) Workers must not attend a Work Premises if they have been tested for SARS-CoV-2 because they are symptomatic whilst awaiting the result of that test (excluding where a worker is awaiting results of a test taken in accordance with a surveillance testing obligation under the **Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions**).

6 Preventative measures at Work Premises to reduce the risk of SARS-CoV-2*Face coverings requirement*

- (1) An employer must take reasonable steps to ensure the worker, when working at a Work Premises:
 - (a) carries a **face covering** at all times, except where the exception in subclause 5(8)(e) of the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)** applies to the worker; and
 - (b) wears a face covering where required to do so in accordance with any other Directions currently in force, except where an exception in subclause 5(8) of the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)** applies to the worker.

*Note: face shields on their own do not meet the face covering requirements. Please refer to the **Department's** guidelines for further information.*

Note: a worker is required to wear a face covering at all other times when the exceptions above do not apply, if required to do so in accordance with any other Directions currently in force.

COVIDSafe Plan

- (2) Subject to subclause (4), an employer must, for each Work Premises:
- (a) have in place a COVIDSafe Plan, which addresses the health and safety issues arising from SARS-CoV-2, including but not limited to:
- Note: employers can use the template plan accessible from the following website for guidance: www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/covidsafe-plan as amended or replaced from time to time by the Victorian Government.*
- (i) the employer's process for implementing the record-keeping obligation under subclause (6);
- (ii) the appropriate level of **PPE** to be worn at the Work Premises;
- (iii) actions taken by the employer to mitigate the introduction of SARS-CoV-2 at the Work Premises;
- Examples: temperature testing, provision and training for PPE use, regular cleaning, specific **cleaning requirements** following an outbreak, physical distancing requirements (e.g. closing or reconfiguring **common areas** such as lunchrooms to support workers remaining 1.5 metres apart at all times).*
- (iv) the processes which the employer has put in place to respond to any **suspected case** or any **confirmed case** of SARS-CoV-2 at the Work Premises, taking into account the employer's obligations under these directions;
- (v) an acknowledgement that the employer understands its responsibilities and obligations under these directions; and
- (b) document and evidence, and require its managers to document and evidence, implementation of the COVIDSafe Plan.
- (3) The employer and the employer's workers must comply with the COVIDSafe Plan.
- (4) An employer is not required to comply with subclause (2):
- (a) for any Work Premises that have no workers working at that Work Premises; or
- (b) in relation to:
- (i) each individual vehicle that makes up a fleet of two or more vehicles; and
- Note 1: despite subclause (4)(b), an employer must have a COVIDSafe Plan in relation to a fleet of two or more vehicles.*
- Note 2: where an employer owns, operates or controls only one vehicle, then it must have a COVIDSafe Plan for that vehicle.*
- Example: where an employer owns, operates or controls only one vehicle used to provide **commercial passenger vehicle services** or a vehicle used to provide **passenger services**, then it must have a COVIDSafe Plan for that vehicle.*
- (ii) vehicles used predominantly by an **employee** to travel between the Work Premises and the employee's ordinary place of residence.
- Note: each vehicle used predominantly as a Work Premises (e.g. food trucks, dental vans) requires a COVIDSafe Plan.*
- (5) An employer must:
- (a) comply with any direction given by an **Authorised Officer** or **WorkSafe inspector** to modify a COVIDSafe Plan, including:
- (i) following an outbreak of confirmed cases of SARS-CoV-2 at a Work Premises; or
- (ii) if the Authorised Officer considers that the COVIDSafe Plan is not fit for purpose; and
- (b) implement any modifications required in accordance with subclause (5)(a).

Record-keeping obligations (records requirement)

- (6) Subject to subclause (8), an employer must keep a record of all workers and all visitors who attend the Work Premises for longer than 15 minutes (at a minimum), which includes:
- (a) the person's first name; and
 - (b) a contact phone number; and
 - (c) the date and time at which the person attended the Work Premises; and
 - (d) the areas of the Work Premises which the person attended.
- Note 1: the records requirement applies in respect of all persons that attend the facility or venue for longer than 15 minutes, which may include staff, customers, and maintenance and delivery workers.*
- Note 2: where a venue is not staffed, an employer will have complied with the records requirement if they display instructions in a prominent location that clearly explain how patrons and other visitors to the venue should record their details.*
- Note 3: where a person does not have a phone number, an employer may comply with the record-keeping requirement by registering that person's contact details using a phone number for the contact most likely to be able to locate the person, such as a known relative, carer, or the phone number of the employer itself.*
- (7) An employer may comply with the record-keeping requirements in subclause (6) in relation to a worker or visitor where the worker or visitor records their visit to the Work Premises using a digital system provided by the **Service Victoria CEO** and other parts of the Victorian Government for that purpose.
- (8) An employer is not required to comply with the records requirement in subclause (6):
- (a) where they are operating a Work Premises which is a **market**, market stall, a **retail facility** or **retail shopping centre** with respect to customers who attend that Work Premises, where it is not practicable to do so; or
 - (b) subject to subclauses (8A) and (8B), in relation to **members of the public** using a commercial passenger vehicle service; or
 - (c) in relation to essential support groups and health services if confidentiality is typically required.
- Example: support groups for alcohol and drugs or family violence typically require confidentiality.*
- (8A) Despite subclause (8)(b), an **owner** of a vehicle used as a commercial passenger vehicle service must make available and clearly visible and accessible in the vehicle, at all times, a digital system for use by drivers and passengers that records:
- (a) the person's first name; and
 - (b) a contact phone number; and
 - (c) the date and time at which the driver or passenger was in, or used, the commercial passenger vehicle.
- (8B) The digital system referred to in subclause (8A) must be either:
- (a) a digital system provided by the Service Victoria CEO and other parts of the Victorian Government for the purpose of complying with subclause (8A); or
 - (b) a digital system included in the list of approved API-linked providers updated by the Chief Health Officer from time to time and published at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/visitation-api-connected-third-parties.
- (9) In handling the information outlined in subclauses (6) or any information provided by a driver or passenger using the system made available under subclause (8A):
- (a) an employer who uses or an owner who makes available a system other than a digital system provided by the Service Victoria CEO and other parts of the Victorian Government must:

- (i) not collect personal information unless:
 - (A) the information is necessary to meet the requirements outlined in subclauses (6); or
 - (B) the information is provided by a driver or passenger using the system made available under subclause (8A); and
 - (ii) use reasonable endeavours to protect the personal information from use or disclosure, other than in accordance with a request made by an Authorised Officer (or a person assisting an Authorised Officer); and

Note: information should be collected in a way that protects it from being disclosed to other patrons.

Example: where using a paper-based method, a sheet of paper could be placed over previous visitor details on a sheet that records the names.
 - (iii) use reasonable endeavours to notify the person from whom the personal information is being collected that the primary purpose of collection is for SARS-CoV-2 contact tracing, and that their personal information may be collected and stored by the Victorian Government for this purpose; and
 - (iv) destroy the information as soon as reasonably practicable following 28 days after the attendance at the Work Premises, unless a statutory requirement permits or requires the personal information to be retained; and

Note: clause 10(a) is intended to apply to employers who use or owners who make available a third party digital system, or other system (e.g. paper based record keeping), to create a worker or visitor record, whether or not:

 - (a) *the employer also uses or the owner also makes available a digital system provided by the Service Victoria CEO and other parts of the Victorian Government to comply with subclauses (6) or (8A); or*
 - (b) *the third party digital system, or other system used by the employer or made available by the owner, links to a digital system provided by the Service Victoria CEO and other parts of the Victorian Government.*
- (b) **Service Victoria** and/or another operator of a system provided by the Victorian Government, must destroy the information as soon as reasonably practicable following 28 days after the attendance at the Work Premises, unless a statutory requirement permits or requires the personal information to be retained.

Additional records requirement (additional records requirement)

- (10) An employer must keep records to demonstrate compliance with these directions, including (but not limited to):
 - (a) all logs created during the time these directions are in place;
 - (b) Work Premises rosters;
 - (c) time and attendance records;
 - (d) payroll data.
- (11) In collecting the information outlined in subclause (10), an employer must:
 - (a) use reasonable endeavours to protect the personal information from use or disclosure, other than in accordance with a request made by an Authorised Officer; and
 - (b) destroy the information as soon as reasonably practicable, unless another statutory requirement permits or requires the personal information to be retained.

Density quotient (density quotient)

- (12) In any shared spaces and publicly accessible areas at the Work Premises, an employer must comply with the **density quotient** for each shared space and each publicly accessible area.

*Note: in relation to a **care facility**, shared spaces and publicly accessible spaces include entrance areas, waiting rooms and communal areas where visitors may enter but does not include patient or resident rooms or resident lounges not accessible by visitors.*

- (13) The **density quotient** for the purposes of subclause (12) limits:

- (a) in relation to a shared space, the number of persons who are permitted in a shared space; or
- (b) in relation to a publicly accessible space:
- (i) where that publicly accessible space is occupied by workers on an ad hoc basis, the number of members of the public; or
- (ii) where that publicly accessible space is occupied by workers on an ongoing basis, the number of persons,

*Note: the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)** specifies which facilities should calculate the density quotient by reference to the number of persons in the accessible area or alternatively the number of members of the public in the accessible area.*

at any one time to the number calculated by dividing the total accessible space (measured in square metres) by 2 in relation to any shared space or publicly accessible space and:

- (c) for an indoor space, applies to each single undivided space permitted to operate under these directions; and
- (d) for an **indoor zone**, applies to each indoor zone within an indoor space permitted to operate under these directions; and
- (e) for an **outdoor space**, market or retail shopping centre, applies to the total space permitted to operate under these directions; and
- (f) for a hospital, to non-clinical areas of the hospital where practicable.

Example: if an outdoor space is 8.5 metres long and 4.5 metres wide, its total area is 38.25 square metres. Its density quotient is 19.125, so no more than 19 members of the public would be permitted to be in the outdoor space at the same time.

- (14) The number of people allowed in a shared space or publicly accessible area may be subject to a separate specified density measure or cap under the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)** and, in those circumstances, the density quotient will not apply.

*Example 1: under the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)** the publicly accessible area used to calculate the density measure for **food and drink facilities** excludes toilets, separate hallways, separate foyers or play areas.*

*Example 2: under the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)** some facilities have a patron cap that is less than the number of people allowed under the density quotient.*

- (14A) Despite subclauses 6(12) and 6(13), an employer is not required to comply with the density quotient in respect of:

- (a) any shared spaces in **schools**, non-school senior secondary providers, **childcare or early childhood services**, or **higher education services** used by students or children, including classrooms; and
- (b) clinical areas of a hospital; and
- (c) any office area that is not accessible by members of the public, including private offices, open plan offices, internal meeting rooms and shared spaces such as kitchens, lunchrooms and bathrooms; and

Note: an office area is considered not accessible by members of the public where an unaccompanied member of the public is not allowed or unable to access that area.

- (d) a **court or tribunal** building when in use for the ordinary purposes of courts or tribunals; and
- (e) Parliament House when it is used for the ordinary purposes of the Parliament of Victoria.

*Note 1: in relation to a school, non-school senior secondary provider, education and care service, childcare or early childhood service, or higher education service, spaces for the purpose of student and children use (such as classrooms, hallways and gymnasiums) are not subject to the density quotient. Office areas (including shared spaces that form part of an office area such as kitchens, lunchrooms and bathrooms) used only by staff that are not publicly accessible are also not subject to the density quotient. However, the density quotient applies to any publicly accessible areas (including in relation to a school, non-school senior secondary providers, or childcare or early childhood service, or higher education service), and any such publicly accessible areas that are subject to the **signage requirements** under subclause (15).*

*Note 2: in relation to a school, non-school senior secondary provider, childcare or early childhood service, or higher education service using facilities other than the school, childcare or higher education service premises, the density quotient of the relevant facility and the relevant requirements of the facility's COVIDSafe Plan will apply to the school, non-school senior secondary provider, childcare or early childhood service, or higher education service when using that facility. As an alternative to using the facility's COVIDSafe Plan, the school, non-school senior secondary provider, childcare or early childhood service, or higher education service may apply their own COVIDSafe Plan to the use of the facility, so long as it has been adjusted so that it is fit for purpose taking into account the unique features of the relevant facility. If the facility is being used exclusively by a single school, non-school senior secondary provider, childcare or early childhood service, or higher education service for educational purposes, the restrictions and guidance on teachers, staff, students and children under the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)** apply in relation to the school, non-school senior secondary provider, childcare or early childhood service, or higher education service having exclusive use of that facility.*

Note 3: in relation to a hospital, clinical areas including emergency department waiting rooms and hospital wards are areas of a hospital that the density quotient does not apply to, however, other non-clinical areas of the hospital are subject to the density quotient where practicable.

Signage requirements (signage requirement)

- (15) Where a Work Premises has a publicly accessible space to which the density quotient applies, an employer must display a sign at each public entry to each such space that includes a statement specifying the maximum number of members of the public that may be present in the space at a single time, being the number permitted by the density quotient, rounded down to the nearest whole number.

Example: if an area is 8.5 metres long and 4.5 metres wide, its total space is 38.25 square metres. Its density quotient is 19.125. The sign should state that the maximum number of members of the public that may be present in the space at a single time is 19.

- (16) A person who owns, operates or controls a market stall, market or retail shopping centre must:
 - (a) limit the number of members of the public permitted by the density quotient as it applies respectively to the market stall, market or the retail shopping centre; and
 - (b) use reasonable endeavours to implement relevant recommendations by the Victorian Government to manage public health risks arising out of the operation of the facility.
- (17) Where any other Directions currently in force require a face covering to be worn in a Work Premises or part of a Work Premises:
 - (a) an employer in relation to that Work Premises; or
 - (b) a person who owns, operates or controls that Work Premises,

must display a sign at each public entry advising that each person entering the Work Premises must wear a face covering, unless an exemption under a Direction currently in force applies.

Cleaning requirements (cleaning requirement)

- (18) An employer must take all reasonable steps to ensure that shared spaces at which work is performed and areas accessible to members of the public at any Work Premises are **cleaned** on a regular basis, including:
- (a) frequently touched surfaces, including toilets and handrails, are cleaned at least twice on any given day; and
 - (b) surfaces are cleaned when visibly soiled; and
 - (c) if a function is to occur, a reasonable period of time has elapsed since the conclusion of any earlier function to allow for cleaning in between the functions; and
 - (d) surfaces accessible to a particular group are cleaned between groups; and
Example: cleaning surfaces between shifts of workers.
 - (e) surfaces are cleaned immediately after a spill on the surface.
- (19) To ensure a surface is cleaned for the purposes of these directions, a person must wipe the surface with a disinfectant:
- (a) the label of which states a claim by the manufacturer that the disinfectant has anti-viral properties; or
 - (b) made by a person according to instructions issued by the Department.
- (20) A person who owns, operates or controls a market stall, market or retail shopping centre must comply with the cleaning requirement respectively for the market stall, market or the common areas of the retail shopping centre.

7 Responding to a suspected case of SARS-CoV-2 in a Work Premises

- (1) An employer must not require a worker to perform work at a Work Premises if the worker is displaying one or more SARS-CoV-2 Symptoms.
- (2) As soon as practicable after becoming aware of a suspected case in a worker who has attended a Work Premises in the period commencing 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms, an employer must:
- (a) advise the worker to **self-isolate** immediately and support the worker in doing so, by either:
 - (i) directing the worker to travel home immediately (and providing support to the worker to do so); or
 - (ii) where the worker is unable to travel home immediately, directing the worker to isolate themselves at the Work Premises and, whilst doing so, to wear a face covering and remain at least 1.5 metres from any other person at the Work Premises, until the worker can return home later that day to self-isolate; and

Note: the worker should isolate in a separate room from other persons, where possible.

- (b) advise the worker to be tested for SARS-CoV-2 as soon as practicable, and to self-isolate whilst awaiting the result of that test; and
- (c) take all reasonably practicable steps to manage the risk posed by the suspected case, including but not limited to:
 - (i) cleaning areas of the Work Premises used by the suspected case (including their personal workspace and any areas in the Work Premises frequently used by the suspected case);
 - (ii) cleaning high-touch surfaces at the Work Premises likely to have been frequented by the suspected case; and

Examples: lift buttons, door handles, washroom facilities, kitchen facilities, water coolers. For further information, see the guidance at www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/cleaning-and-disinfecting-reduce-covid-19-transmission-tips-non-healthcare-settings_as_amended or replaced from time to time by the Victorian Government.

- (d) ensure appropriate records are maintained in accordance with clause 6(6) in order to support contact tracing if the suspected case becomes a confirmed case, particularly from the period commencing 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms in the suspected case; and

Note: this will include, for example, rosters and worker details, and details of all visitors to the Work Premises, to ascertain which persons were present at the Work Premises and who they may have come into contact with.

- (e) inform all workers (including the **health and safety representative**) to be vigilant about the onset of symptoms of SARS-CoV-2 and advise all workers to be tested for SARS-CoV-2 and self-isolate if they become symptomatic.

8 Responding to a confirmed case of SARS-CoV-2 in a Work Premises

- (1) In these directions, in respect of a worker who has tested positive to SARS-CoV-2, **Relevant Period** means the period commencing 48 hours prior to:

- (a) the onset of symptoms of SARS-CoV-2 in the worker, if symptomatic; or
- (b) the worker having been tested for SARS-CoV-2, if asymptomatic, and up to the **diagnosed person** receiving clearance from the Department.

- (2) A worker who has received a positive test result for SARS-CoV-2 must, as soon as practicable, notify the employer of any Work Premises which the worker has attended in the Relevant Period.

- (3) As soon as practicable after becoming aware of a confirmed case who has attended the Work Premises in the Relevant Period, the employer must:

- (a) notify the Department and WorkSafe in accordance with the **Occupational Health and Safety (COVID-19 Incident Notification) Regulations 2020** and the health and safety representative at the Work Premises; and
- (b) to the extent not already completed, direct the **diagnosed worker** not to attend the Work Premises and advise them to self-isolate in accordance with clause 7(2)(a); and
- (c) undertake a risk assessment to determine whether the Work Premises (or the relevant part of the Work Premises in which the diagnosed worker worked in the Relevant Period) must be closed to allow cleaning and contact tracing to occur or whether the risk can be managed whilst the Work Premises (or part of it) continues to operate; and
- (d) undertake a comprehensive clean of the Work Premises (or the relevant part of the Work Premises in which the diagnosed worker worked in the Relevant Period, and any high touch areas likely to have been touched by the diagnosed worker) in accordance with guidelines published by the Department; and

Note: online guidance from the Department can be obtained from the following link: www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/cleaning-and-disinfecting-reduce-covid-19-transmission-tips-non-healthcare-settings as amended or replaced from time to time by the Victorian Government.

- (e) consult with the diagnosed worker and examine the employer's own records to determine any **close contacts** of the diagnosed worker at the Work Premises within the Relevant Period and, where any close contacts are identified and the employer has the relevant contact details of the close contact:

Note: for record-keeping obligations to assist with identification of close contacts and contact tracing, see clause 6(6).

- (i) if the close contact is a worker, direct them to leave the Work Premises and advise them to **self-quarantine**; and
- (ii) if the close contact is not a worker, issue them a written communication to recommend that they self-quarantine in accordance with guidance from the Department; and

- (f) notify all workers when a worker has tested positive to SARS-CoV-2; and
- (g) inform all workers (including health and safety representatives) to be vigilant about the onset of symptoms of SARS-CoV-2 and advise all workers to be tested for SARS-CoV-2 and self-quarantine if they become symptomatic; and
- (h) put in place appropriate control and/or risk management measures to reduce the risk of spreading SARS-CoV-2 at the Work Premises; and

Note: employers are encouraged to ensure that any risks identified from the confirmed case are addressed in these control measures.

Examples: increasing the implementation and enforcement of control measures with respect to PPE (such as face coverings) and physical distancing.

- (i) contact the Department (or other entity nominated by the Department on its website) and:
 - (i) notify it of the actions taken in accordance with subclause (3)(a) to (h); and
 - (ii) provide it with a copy of the risk assessment conducted in accordance with subclause (3)(c); and
 - (iii) provide the Department (or other entity nominated by the Department) with contact details of any close contacts (whether or not workers) identified pursuant to subclause (3)(e); and
 - (iv) comply with any further directions given by the Department or WorkSafe in relation to closure of the Work Premises (or part of the Work Premises) and/or cleaning; and
- (j) where the Work Premises (or part of the Work Premises) is closed, not re-open that Work Premises (or that part of the Work Premises which was closed) until all of the following have occurred:
 - (i) the employer has complied with all of its obligations under subclause (3)(a) to (i); and
 - (ii) the Department has completed all relevant contact tracing; and
 - (iii) the Department has given clearance for the Work Premises to re-open.

*Note: employers must comply with their obligations under occupational health and safety laws, including notifying WorkSafe in accordance with the **Occupational Health and Safety (COVID-19 Incident Notification) Regulations 2020**.*

9 Relationship with other directions

If there is any inconsistency between these directions and a direction or other requirement contained in a **Direction and Detention Notice**, these directions are inoperative to the extent of the inconsistency.

10 Definitions

For the purposes of these directions:

- (1) **Authorised Officer** has the same meaning as in the **PHW Act**;
- (2) **Care Facilities Directions** means the **Care Facilities Directions (No. 27)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (3) **care facility** has the same meaning as in the **Care Facilities Directions**;
- (4) **childcare or early childhood service** means onsite early childhood education and care services or children's services provided under the:
 - (a) **Education and Care Services National Law** and the **Education and Care Services National Regulations**, including long day care services, kindergartens and/or preschool and family daycare services, but not including outside **school** hours care services; and

- (b) **Children Services Act 1996**, including limited hours services, budget based funded services, occasional care services, early childhood intervention services, mobile services and (if applicable) school holiday care programs;
- (5) **cleaned** has the meaning in clause 6(19);
- (6) **cleaning requirement** has the meaning in clause 6(18) to (20) (both inclusive);
- (7) **close contact** means any person who has had face-to-face contact of any duration, or who has shared a closed space for more than one hour, with a **confirmed case** during the **Relevant Period**;
- (8) **commercial passenger vehicle service** has the meaning given in section 4 of the **Commercial Passenger Vehicle Industry Act 2017**;
- (9) **common areas** of a **retail shopping centre** has the same meaning as in the **Retail Leases Act 2003**;
- (10) **confirmed case** means a diagnosis of **SARS-CoV-2** in a **worker** at the **Work Premises**;
- (11) **court or tribunal** means a judicial and/or administrative review body established pursuant to legislation;
- (12) **COVIDSafe Plan** has the meaning in clause 6(2);
- (13) **Department** means the Department of Health;
- (14) **diagnosed person** has the same meaning as in the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**;
- (15) **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions** means the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions (No. 21)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (16) **diagnosed worker** means a **worker** who is a **diagnosed person**;
- (17) **Direction and Detention Notice** means a notice given to a person requiring the person to be detained for a specified period;
- (18) **Directions currently in force** has the same meaning as in the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)**;
- (19) **employee** includes a person who is self-employed;
- (20) **employer** means a person who owns, operates or controls **Work Premises** (or a Work Premises) and includes a person who is self-employed;
- (21) **face covering** means a fitted face mask that covers the nose and mouth to provide the wearer protection against infection;
- (22) **food and drink facility** has the same meaning as in the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)**;
- (23) **health and safety representative** has the same meaning as in the **OHS Act**;
- (24) **higher education services** means educational services provided at or by a university, vocational education and training providers (including registered training organisations), technical and further education (TAFE) institutes, adult community and further education, and other post-compulsory education or training;
- (25) **indoor space** has the same meaning as in the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)**;
- (26) **indoor zone** means a section of an **indoor space** that:
- (a) is designated by the person who owns, controls or operates the indoor space as being for the exclusive use of specified **members of the public**; and
- (b) is delineated by temporary barriers, tape or other clearly visible markings or means;
- (27) **inspector** has the same meaning as in the **OHS Act**;

- (28) **market** means a public market, whether indoor or outdoor, including a food market;
- (29) **member of the public** is a person but does not include:
- (a) a person who is an **employee** of an operator of the facility or venue; or
 - (b) any other person who attends the facility or venue that is reasonably necessary for providing a service at the facility or venue;
- (30) **OHS Act** means the **Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004**;
- (31) **outbreak** means:
- (a) a single **confirmed case** of **SARS-CoV-2** in a resident, staff member or frequent attendee of a residential aged **care facility**; or
 - (b) two or more epidemiologically linked cases outside of a household with symptom onset within 14 days;
- Note: transmission within one household does not constitute an outbreak but will become part of an outbreak response if linked to a high priority setting. Also, in some circumstances, the Department may identify other settings that are sensitive and where a single confirmed case will trigger an outbreak response. Relevant parties will be informed if this occurs. Determining whether a person is a frequent or infrequent visitor may be based on frequency of visits, time spent in the setting, and number of contacts within the setting.*
- (32) **outdoor space** has the same meaning as in the **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)**;
- (33) **owner** has the same meaning as in the **Commercial Passenger Vehicle Industry Act 2017**;
- (34) **passenger services** has the same meaning as in the **Transport Integration Act 2010**;
- (35) **PHW Act** means the **Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008**;
- (36) **place of worship** has the same meaning as in the **Heritage Act 2017**;
- (37) **PPE** means personal protective equipment;
- (38) **premises** has the same meaning as in the **PHW Act**;
- (39) **reasonably practicable** is to have its ordinary and common sense meaning;
- (40) **records requirement** has the meaning in clause 6(6) to (9) (both inclusive);
- (41) **Relevant Period** has the meaning given in clause 8(1);
- (42) **Restricted Activity Directions (Victoria)** means the **Restricted Activity Directions (No. 14)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (43) **retail facility** includes any facility that is used wholly or predominantly for:
- (a) the sale or hire of goods by retail; or
 - (b) the retail provision of services;
- (44) **retail shopping centre** has the same meaning as in the **Retail Leases Act 2003**;
- (45) **SARS-CoV-2 Symptoms** means symptoms consistent with **SARS-CoV-2**, including but not limited to the following:
- (a) a fever ($\geq 37.5^{\circ}\text{C}$) or consistent fever of less than 37.5°C (such as night sweats, chills);
 - (b) acute respiratory infection (such as cough, shortness of breath, sore throat);
 - (c) loss of smell; and
 - (d) loss of taste;
- (46) **school** means a registered school as defined in the **Education and Training Reform Act 2006**;
- (47) **self-isolate** has the same meaning as in the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**;

- (48) **self-quarantine** has the same meaning as in the **Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions**;
- (49) **Service Victoria** has the same meaning as in the **Service Victoria Act 2018**;
- (50) **Service Victoria CEO** has the same meaning as in the **Service Victoria Act 2018**;
- (51) **signage requirement** has the meaning in clauses 6(15), (16) and (17);
- (52) **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria)** means the **Stay Safe Directions (Victoria) (No. 20)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (53) **suspected case** means a person who is displaying one or more **SARS-CoV-2 Symptoms**;
- (54) **vehicle** has the same meaning as in the **PHW Act**;
- (55) **Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions** means the **Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions (No. 22)** as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (56) **Work Premises** means the **premises** of an **employer** in which work is undertaken, including any **vehicle** whilst being used for work purposes, but excluding an **employee's** ordinary place of residence;
- Note: this includes a community facility such as a community centre or community hall, or a public library, or a place of worship.*
- (57) **worker** includes **employees**, subcontractors (and their employees), volunteers and any other person engaged or permitted by an **employer** to perform work;
- (58) **WorkSafe** means WorkSafe Victoria.

11 Penalties

- (1) Section 203 of the PHW Act provides:

Compliance with direction or other requirement

- (1) A person must not refuse or fail to comply with a direction given to the person, or a requirement made of the person, in the exercise of a power under an authorisation given under section 199.
- Penalty: In the case of a natural person, 120 penalty units;
 In the case of a body corporate, 600 penalty units.
- (2) A person is not guilty of an offence against subsection (1) if the person had a reasonable excuse for refusing or failing to comply with the direction or requirement.

Note: section 209 of the PHW Act provides for infringement notices to be served on any person who without reasonable excuse has refused or failed to comply with a direction given to the person, or a requirement made of the person, in the exercise of a power under an authorisation given under section 199. The amount payable pursuant to the infringement notice varies depending on the nature of the failure or refusal and the age of the person who refuses or fails to comply.

Dated 30 April 2021

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